

Disability and Abuse Newsfeed

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Abuse and Neglect:

Sexual Assault: 5, 13, 17, 20

Physical Abuse: 7, 11, 15 24, 56

Emotional/Verbal Abuse: 8

Financial abuse: 19, 20, 22, 25

Murder: 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 9 14, 47. 54

Neglected: 3, 18

Seclusion/Restraint: 11

Related to special education: 11, 15, 23

WINNER of most egregious award: 10: Lack of resources funds school to prison pipeline for children with disabilities.

WINNER of “good job” award: 34: OR Assemblywoman introduces legislation to decrease sexual assault by medical professionals.

WHO DUN IT (listed by article number):

Family: 4, 6, 9, 22

Carer: 1, 2, 13, 17, 19, 47

Stranger: 5, 14, 20, 54

Special education employee: 8

Teacher 8, 11, 25

School Officer: 15

Program bus driver: 3

Group home worker: 1, 47

Migrant detention center: 2

Court marshal: 24

Skilled Nursing Facility: 17, 20

Men: 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 13, 15, 17, 24

Women: 8, 14, 19, 23, 25, 56

Couples: 9, 22

Good News:

12: AG joins effort to stop parole for nursing home murderer.

33. Legislation proposed to remedy current cut off of supports to individuals with autism who are 18 years of age or older

34. Assemblywoman announces plans to decrease sexual abuse by medical professionals

45. Restrain redefined to improve classroom safety.

49. New video series provides wireless services for those with hearing and vision disabilities.

50. Call for more help for male sexual assault victims.

55. Women with disabilities rescued and given safe care.

Bad News:

16: One of the Central Park Five had disabilities it is now revealed, which were discounted/overlooked at the time.

18. Study shows pattern of poor care

30. Alabama passes bill to castrate sex offenders as a deterrent for rape. Oh please!!!

50. Police officer says man is not long term victim because he didn't cry.

57. In Zimbabwe people with disabilities are "locked away" due to myths they bring bad luck and/or practice witchcraft.

58. Child neglect is not simple and can lead to later life symptoms and illnesses.

ABUSE & NEGLECT

1. “Former Group Home Worker Indicted In Stomping Death Of Patient” - Trent Yates is [accused of intentionally causing the death](#) last year of Matthew Cox, 21, who was a patient at a group home, according to [the grand jury indictment](#). – Fox 10 TV – June 4, 2019 – (Alabama) - <https://is.gd/ZYUApf>
2. “Disabled Migrant Children Deported from U.S. Face 'Torture' In Mexican Facilities: Report” - Citing staff at the facility, DRI reported that three minors and one adult were recorded as having died in February 2018. In two of those cases, minors who had to be fed using feeding tubes died due to complications related to that process. It is unclear whether any of the four who died were also migrants. – Newsweek – June 4, 2019 – (California) - <https://is.gd/PGTGQu>
3. “Man Charged in Death of Intellectually Disabled Man Left in Hot Car in West Covina” - Emanuel Arellano was charged with involuntary manslaughter and elder abuse on May 31, according to the case file. Timothy John Cortinas’ mother has previously filed a wrongful death lawsuit against the Easterseals, San Gabriel/Pomona Valley’s Developmental Services, Holy Family Children’s Care and Arellano, who were responsible for Cortinas’ safety and transportation at the time of his death. – KTLA – June 4, 2019 – (California) - <https://is.gd/0xn8IS>
4. “Friends Remember Woman with Disabilities Killed When Fiancé Drove into Flood” - Prosecutors said Meyer's fiancé, James Pleasant, drove through barricades on Route M in Chariton County on Friday. Prosecutors said, as flood waters began to sweep the car away, Pleasant escaped through the trunk. Meyer was trapped and her body was found four days later about 50 or 70 yards south of the roadway. – KOMU – June 6, 2019 – (California) - <https://is.gd/su84FB>

5. “Hartford Jury Convicts Man in Gunpoint Rape of Two Sisters” - A Hartford man who was on probation for raping a disabled man in 2011 in downtown Hartford was convicted Monday of raping two sisters at gunpoint inside a vacant Zion Street house on Thanksgiving Day 2017. Jason Johnson, 29, was also convicted of two counts of first-degree unlawful restraint and one count of second-degree assault. He could face more than 80 years in prison. – Hartford Courant – June 4, 2019 – (Connecticut)- <https://is.gd/6pDFHz>

6. “Augusta Man Guilty of Neglect in Death of Disabled Stepson” - Malone, 49, entered an Alford plea Tuesday in Richmond County Superior Court. Because he has spent the past 17 months in jail unable to make bond since the day 19-year-old Johnny McFadden Jr. died, Assistant District Attorney Tom Watkins said he was willing to agree to a probation sentence. Judge Michael N. Annis accepted Malone’s Alford plea and sentenced him to five years probation. – The Augusta Chronicle – May 28, 2019 – (Georgia) - <https://is.gd/t6wuu4>

7. Grand Jury Indicts Dekalb Police Officer in Baton Beating on Mentally Ill Woman - Phillip Larscheid, 29, is charged with one count of Aggravated Assault and one count of Violation of Oath, both felonies, in connection with the 2017 incident involving Katie McCrary that was captured on cell phone video that went viral a month after he had been cleared of using excessive force. Authorities reopened the case after the video of his viciously beating her became public. – On Common Ground News – May 30, 2019 – (Illinois) - <https://is.gd/h3jhDZ>

8. “A Special Education Teacher Gave Her Autistic Student a Year-End Award: ‘Most Annoying’” – “It’s clear the school sees this child in a certain light,” said Mandi Silverman, senior director of the Autism Center at the Child Mind Institute. “I would be concerned that his needs are not acknowledged in a way that is supportive. The school sees the behaviors as something that should be stopped, rather than supported.” – The Washington Post – June 4, 2019 – (Indiana) - <https://is.gd/gQbAJ6>

9. “Boy Dies from Apparent Abuse Involving Shock Collar and Restraints” - According to a press release from the Monroe County Sheriff's Office, an examination of Eduardo Posso after his death found "multiple signs of abuse and starvation." The boy's father, Luis Posso, 32, and his wife, Dayan Medina Flores, 25, were both arrested. Three other children, ages 9, 5 and 2, were placed in the care of Child Protective Services – WXYZ – May 28, 2019 – (Indiana) - <https://is.gd/YxvZCj>

10. “Lack of Resources Plays Role in Funneling Students with Disabilities Through School-To-Prison Pipeline” - Race is often a significant factor in this cynical system of punishment and systemic educational failure, as are language barriers, poverty, sexual orientation and gender identity. Another key demographic, however, is students and young adults with disabilities or other unique, special-needs challenges that block their access to quality education and success. – The Louisiana Weekly – June 3, 2019 – (Louisiana) - <https://is.gd/vHvTjV>

11. “Father of Maryland Special Needs Student Says Seclusion and Restraint Needs to Stop” - Faculty and staff in many school districts across the country are employing the controversial tactic seclusion and restraint – and critics say they are disproportionately targeting students with special needs. Guy Stephens of Lusby says his 13-year-old son is on the autism spectrum, and he’s been restrained four times in two weeks. – Fox 5 – May 31, 2019 – (Maryland) - <https://is.gd/2gPnDt>

12. “AG Joins Effort to Stop Parole for Nursing Home Killer” - Walker– Attorney General Dana Nessel is urging a judge to block the release of a nurse’s aide who has spent 30 years in prison for killing residents at a nursing home near Grand Rapids. – The Detroit News – June 1, 2019 – (Michigan) - <https://is.gd/McVddy>

13. “Forest Man Sentenced for Sexually Abusing Vulnerable Adult” - The Mississippi Attorney General's Office prosecuted Jason Amos, 19, of Forest,

for sexually abusing a man who has a mental disability. Attorney General Jim Hood says the 21-year-old victim was not able to consent due to his mental capacity. – WTOK ABC 11 – June 4, 2019 – (Mississippi) - <https://is.gd/AWczef>

14. Woman Accused of Pushing Man Off Las Vegas Bus — NEW VIDEO- [Serge Fournier died](#) about a month after the March 21 incident from complications he suffered after hitting the concrete, according to testimony from a forensic pathologist made public this week. [Cadesha Bishop, 25, faces](#) one count each of murder, abuse of an older/vulnerable person resulting in death and battery resulting in substantial bodily harm of a victim age 60 or older. Las Vegas Review Journal – May 31, 2019 – (Nevada)- <https://is.gd/NjOXoM>

15. “Video Shows Deputy Use Stun Gun on Special Education Student” - The Rio Arriba County Sheriff's Department and Espanola Public Schools are under fire over video of a deputy tasing a student. The deputy claims the student was resisting him, but the teen's lawyer said the teen was not resisting and now, the teen might sue. – CBS 17 – May 31, 2019 – (New Mexico) - <https://is.gd/bW3xuI>

16. “All of the Central Park Five Suffered Terribly. But One of Their Stories Was Especially Horrific” - He was also uniquely vulnerable to their coercion. Wise, [wrote Sarah Burns](#) in her book, The Central Park Five, "had hearing problems from an early age, and a learning disability that limited his achievement in school. – Esquire – June 2, 2019 – (New York) - <https://is.gd/8xWnTk>

17. “NYS Health Department Probes Allegation of Sexual Abuse at Gowanda Nursing Home” - The New York State Health Department confirms it is looking into an allegation of sexual assault in the Gowanda Rehabilitation and Nursing Center. – WIVB 4 – June 3, 2019 – (New York)- <https://is.gd/4Musq2>

18. “Cayuga Ridge Cited In Report On Poor Nursing Home Conditions” - Ithaca nursing home Cayuga Ridge Extended Care was one of 400 nursing homes cited [in a report released by Pennsylvania senators this week](#) that reveals a previously undisclosed list of nursing homes that have a documented pattern of poor care. – The Ithaca Voice – June 6, 2019 – (New York) - <https://is.gd/Fkck9K>

19. “Woman Indicted for Financial Exploitation of Elderly” - Cynthia Renae Carr, a former house manager for a home care giving agency, allegedly financially exploited some of the residents, according to a press release from Dunaway's office. "Carr was allegedly stealing money from elderly and vulnerable adult residents of the group home facility," the press release states. – Herald- Citizen – June 4, 2019 – (New York) - <https://is.gd/WWDfgY>

20. “Fostoria Police Investigating Assault at Nursing Home” - The suspect was removed from the bathroom and arrested. 38-year-old Noel Sims was charged with Aggravated Burglary. According to police, further investigation showed that the 83-year-old victim may have been sexually assaulted. Police are awaiting the results of a medical evaluation and testing. – 13 ABC – June 3, 2019 – (Ohio) - <https://is.gd/KZRqgh>

21. “Judge Holds Oregon in Contempt, Finding State Violates Mentally Ill Defendants’ Rights” - The contempt ruling, issued by Judge D. Charles Bailey of the Washington County Circuit Court, is the clearest rebuke yet of the state’s lapses in handling the rise in criminal cases with mentally ill defendants. – Oregon Live – June 4, 2019 – (Oregon) - <https://is.gd/B2ofkR>

22. “Elizabethtown Man, Woman, Stole More Than \$36,000 From Developmentally Disabled Brothers, Police Say” - Michael E. Dunk, 53, was held for trial on charges of theft and conspiracy to commit theft after a preliminary hearing Tuesday. Carol A. Witmer, 52, who is charged with the

same crimes, was taken to Lancaster County Prison on \$100,000 bail on Wednesday. – Lancaster Online – May 28, 2019 – (Pennsylvania)- <https://is.gd/0AEHqR>

23. “Teacher Charged with Abusing Disabled Student” - Shea Lindsey, a 25-year-old teacher at East Middle School, is charged with child abuse for allegedly abusing the 12-year-old male student on May 13, according to her criminal complaint. If convicted, she faces up to 10 years in prison. – Rapid City Journal – June 1, 2019 – (South Dakota)- <https://is.gd/7Pwekg>

24. “Court Marshal Disciplined for Lying About Assault on Handcuffed, Mentally Ill Prisoner” - V.I. court marshal has been disciplined for assaulting a handcuffed, mentally ill prisoner and lying about the abuse in his official incident report. The deputy marshal, Oheim Freeman, 38, was suspended without pay for 45 days for violating the Judicial Branch Personnel Rules Policy Manual, according to a statement of charges released Friday by V.I. Court Administrator Regina Petersen. – The Virgin Islands Daily News – June 1, 2019 – (Virgin Islands)- <https://is.gd/MnVYrm>

GUARDIANSHIP

25. “Teacher Guilty of Forgery on Guardianship Document” – Tecumseh Junior High School teacher Amy L. Martin forged a temporary guardianship document early in 2018. The forged document would have given her temporary guardianship of a boy who was one of her former students. – Journal & Courier – May 31, 2019 – (Indiana) - <https://is.gd/H0KtkR>

26. “Israel: Legal Update - Durable Power of Attorney” - A Durable Power of Attorney enables the person who grants the authority (referred to as the "Principal") to decide how his medical and other affairs should be handled if he is no longer capable of deciding for himself. The principal chooses his agent and defines the agent's responsibilities and powers, and the

circumstances that would trigger the Durable Power of Attorney. – Monday – May 28, 2019 – (Israel) - <https://is.gd/XBczrj>

27. “Michigan AG 'Looking Into' Concerns About State's Adult Guardianship System” - In a joint statement, Michigan Supreme Court Chief Justice Bridget M. McCormack and Macomb Circuit and Probate Courts Chief Judge James M. Biernat Jr. said that after a guardianship ruling made by Macomb Probate Judge Kathryn George was called into question, the Michigan Supreme Court will be working with Attorney General Dana Nessel. – Detroit Free Press – May 31, 2019 – (Michigan) - <https://is.gd/wspUgm>

28. “Probate: Sexually Violent Predator-Commitment-Guardianship Hearing” - Where a man, who challenged his commitment as a sexually violent predator, argued that he was unconstitutionally committed because he was committed arbitrarily when a guardianship proceeding was pending, the man did not cite any authority to support the claim that a guardianship proceeding should precede an SVP proceeding, and he did not show that- Missouri Lawyers Weekly – May 28, 2019 – (Missouri) - <https://is.gd/7LqK6T>

29. “Guardianship of Minors”- We know that we should have a will to be able to distribute assets in our own name to the right people but what happens to our minor children should both parents die prematurely? You can add guardianship details to your will but a will takes time to go through probate so what happens to the children in the meantime? – Around DB – Blog – May 28, 2019 – (National)- <https://is.gd/X7AF0I>

LAWS & LEGISLATION

30. “Alabama Passes Chemical Castration Bill for Sex Offenders” - [Bill HB 379](#) would have child sex offenders undergo chemical castration before they leave prison. The bill was introduced by State Rep. Steve Hurst who hopes

this type of punishment would make sex offenders think twice. – Fox 5 – June 5, 2019 – (Alabama) - <https://is.gd/wAtInX>

31. “The Latest: Disability Rights Group Blasts Treatment Pilot” - Curt Child of Disability Rights California said Tuesday that San Francisco lacks the housing and other resources needed to safely care for people who need intensive services. He worries that people with serious mental health problems will end up locked away in institution-like facilities. – The Washington Post – June 4, 2019 – (California) - <https://is.gd/zHq3wm>

32. “Gov. Walz Signs Vulnerable Adult Legislation in Brooklyn Center” - Governor Tim Walz was in Brooklyn Center on Wednesday to sign the [Elder Care and Vulnerable Adult Protection Act of 2019](#). – CCX Media – June 5, 2019 – (Minnesota) - <https://is.gd/JOfaHH>

33. “Aging Out of the System: Society’s Abandonment of Autistic Adults” - The recent [Autism CARES Act of 2019](#) seeks to remedy the drop-off in support for autistic adults. Unlike past legislation, this bipartisan bill directly addresses age-related disparities in autism through “across the lifespan” provisions. – The Globe Post – June 6, 2019 – (National) - <https://is.gd/lkJTt3>

34. “Astoria Assemblywoman Unveils Measures to Crackdown On Sexual Abuse by Medical Professionals” - In an effort to combat sexual abuse by medical professionals, Assemblywoman Aravella Simotas is introducing three pieces of legislation to address sexual misconduct in health care settings. – QNS – May 28, 2019 – (Oregon) - <https://is.gd/CUBH3E>

35. “PHP EDITORIAL: Fix Unlawful Standards for Executing Mentally Disabled” - In 2002, the high court ruled that executing people with “mental retardation” violates the eighth amendment's ban on cruel and unusual punishment. Justices left it to states to define mental disability and determine the condition. Unfortunately, the Texas Criminal Court of Appeals and

Attorney General Ken Paxton failed to do so in a constitutional manner. – Palestine Herald- Press – June 1, 2019 – (Texas) - <https://is.gd/xIMyEi>

36. “Gov. Abbott Signs Bill Requiring Mental Health Curriculum in Public Schools” - HB 18 now allows school districts to employ or contract with one or more non-physician mental health professionals: a psychologist, registered nurse with a master’s degree in psychiatric nursing, or a licensed social worker. It also requires online training in mental health first aid to be public and encouraged in schools.- KXAN -

STUDIES & STATISTICS

37. “Study Seeks to Determine the Links Between Autism and Genetics” - So she came with her son, Max Chen-Byerley, to a recent event in Morton Grove as part of a nationwide study called SPARK, which seeks to research the genetics involved in autism. Rush University in Chicago is serving as the local study site. – Chicago Tribune – May 28, 2019 – (Illinois)- <https://is.gd/t3oNzx>

38. “Senior Hunger Surges as Boomers Swell the Ranks of the Nation's Elderly” - If food insecurity is not addressed, the number of seniors facing hunger will soar to eight million by 2050 the Feeding America, a network of 200 food banks, warned in a new study. – Forbes – May 29, 2019 – (National) - <https://is.gd/lsnI0w>

39. “Families’ and Residents’ Right to Know: Uncovering Poor Care in America’s Nursing Homes” In such facilities, some residents have experienced outright neglect, such as going without proper nutrition or languishing in filthy conditions. Some older adults and people with disabilities have even experienced physical abuse, sexual assault and premature death. – PDF – June 2019 – (Pennsylvania) - <https://is.gd/519O9B>

IMPROVED SUPPORTS

40. “California Governor and Lawmakers at Odds Over New Special Education Funding” - It’s not the amount, which is big, but how to spend it. Last week, the Assembly Budget Committee rejected outright the new formula that the Department of Finance has proposed for divvying up that additional money. – EdSource – May 28, 2019 – (California)- <https://is.gd/jRcEy5>

41. “‘Everyone Needs Friends’: Nora Project Fosters Inclusion as Classes Host Special-Needs Schoolmates” - Twenty-two special needs students called Nora Friends were paired with classrooms across District 70. Students got to know their Nora Friends through discussions, interviews and regular classroom play dates. – Daily Herald -June 1, 2019 – (Michigan) - <https://is.gd/zKZ36a>

42. “When a Caregiver Can Also be a Roommate, It's a Win-Win” - Garry and Patrick were brought together by a new program called [Rumi](#), launched last summer by Bridges Minnesota. The company operates group and other homes for people with intellectual, developmental and other disabilities whose incomes are low enough to qualify for the state to pay for their care. – MPR New – May 31, 2019 - (Minnesota)- <https://is.gd/YsFj0O>

43. “I’m Autistic: Here are 5 Ways You Can Support Me at Work” - Employers should want their workplaces to be inclusive and adaptive. Research shows that autistic employees are an asset, and beyond that, we’re also people and we should be treated with respect and empathy. – The Good Men Project – May 28, 2019 – (National) - <https://is.gd/ay6cxm>

44. “Nevada is Quietly Expanding Protections for Vulnerable Adults” - Moving through the Legislature is a bill to expand the scope of the state’s existing Elder Protective Services department to include adults who are vulnerable to neglect, abuse or exploitation due to their intellectual or physical disabilities. [SB 540](#) was unanimously approved by the Senate earlier this

week and is expected to clear the Assembly before the session ends Monday.
– Nevada Current – May 31, 2019 – (Nevada) - <https://is.gd/r4FmFw>

45. “Restraint Redefined in Oregon Bill to Improve Classroom Safety” - Oregon lawmakers easily passed Senate Bill 963 on Wednesday, intended to clarify what teachers can and can’t do when it comes to restraining students. Oregon law already prohibits restraints, except when there’s an imminent threat of harm. Some teachers have argued that the legal lines aren’t always clear, and they worry that they’re limited in how to handle physical outbursts in class. – OPB TV – May 30, 2019 – (Oregon) - <https://is.gd/cMOisX>
46. “Texas Lawmakers Boosted Special Education Funding This Year, Prompting Hope For More From Advocates” - However, they chose not to approve a provision that would have taken a closer look at how the state’s education officials are overhauling special education, which is still under a separate federal investigation. And advocates lament that few bills passed that would impact students with disabilities in their classrooms, including improvements for special education training for teachers. – Reform Austin – May 31, 2019 – (Texas) - <https://is.gd/hOiQM4>

INTERNATIONAL

47. “Autistic Woman's Death 'Not an Isolated Event'” - The death of a young woman in the bathroom of a Sydney group home shouldn't be seen as an isolated event and will be one of a number of cases submitted to a royal commission by a leading autism advocacy group. Merna Aprem was weeks from her 21st birthday when she slipped below the water of her bath at a group home in Sydney's west last week. She couldn't be revived. – SBS News – June 1, 2019 – (Australia) - <https://is.gd/ryK1Xj>
48. “Mystery Surrounds the Death of Noa Pothoven Who Tried to be Euthanised” - Noa Pothoven was reported to have been “legally euthanised” but it turns

out her request had been denied. [Politico](#) reports that the teen died at the weekend several days after refusing all fluids and foods. Her parents and doctors agreed that they would not force feed her. – Townsville Bulletin – June 4, 2019 – (Australia) - <https://is.gd/yB4Sse>

49. “New Video Series Provides Wireless Public Alert Information for Deaf, Deaf-Blind, and Hard Of Hearing Consumers” - OTTAWA, May 28, 2019 /CNW/ - Canada's wireless service providers have launched a new ASL and LSQ video series to provide an overview of the Canadian Wireless Public Alerting (WPA) system for consumers that are Deaf, Deaf-Blind or Hard of Hearing (DDBHH). – Cision – May 28, 2019 – (Canada) - <https://is.gd/WY5tDm>

50. “Halifax Social Worker Calling for More Help for Male Sexual Assault Victims” - "That means that the incidence of sexual abuse of men and boys ... it's not a small number, it's about half as many as women," Wright said. "And yet despite that high level of incidence, other than the services I've mentioned, there really has not been any focused service delivery for male-identified victims." – CBC – May 31, 2019 – (Canada) - <https://is.gd/jq7Wsc>

51. “Government of Canada Supports Survivors of Gender-Based Violence In Québec” - Today, the Honourable Marc Garneau, Minister of Transport and Member of Parliament for Notre-Dame-de-Grâce—Westmount, on behalf of the Honourable Maryam Monsef, Minister of International Development and Minister for Women and Gender Equality, announced the selection of five organizations based in Québec which will receive up to \$4.49 million in federal funding to support survivors of gender-based violence. This includes people who have been underserved, such as Indigenous women and their communities, children and youth, ethno-cultural women, women who are newcomers, refugees or non-status, and women living with disabilities. – CISION – May 31, 2019 – (Canada) - <https://is.gd/mdg5Ty>

52. “Menstrual Hygiene Day: If Healthy Women Have Problems, What About the Differently-Abled?” - The issue of the ever-increasing challenges the deaf and mute, blind, physically handicapped and mentally challenged women and girls undergo is hardly discussed – Down To Earth – May 29, 2019 – (India) - <https://is.gd/PlmLPw>
53. “Disabled Adults Denied Equal Access to Dehradun Swimming Pool” - The Dehradun Disability Forum, an alliance of over 20 disability rights organizations in Dehradun, has issued a public statement regarding calling the incident illegal and morally wrong. – The Wire – June 1 ,2019 – (India) - <https://is.gd/DZN8Di>
54. “Kakamega Family to Bury Deaf Daughter Stabbed 11 Times by Unknown People” - Esther Olindo, 28, a hairdresser, was stabbed 11 times by an unknown assailants in her house in Baharini trading centre on the Eldoret-Webuye road in a chilling incident that shocked residents and sparked uproar among human rights activists from Uasin Gishu and Kakamega counties. – Standard Digital – June 1, 2019 – (Kenya) - <https://is.gd/z2BaAO>
55. “Place of Safety Offered for Rescued Disabled Bay Woman” - Cheshire Homes in Cleary Estate have offered to take the mute, severely disabled 27-year-old woman, who was rescued from a Booyesen Park shack over the weekend, into its safe care. – Herald Live – June 3, 2019 – (South Africa) - <https://is.gd/xLK7gt>
56. “Police Officer Claims Disabled Man Whose Wife Beat Him Up is not a 'Long-Term Victim' Of Domestic Abuse Because He Didn't Cry When She Spoke to Him - Leaving Viewers Outraged” - Viewers of 999: What's Your Emergency? were outraged last night after a female police officer claimed a wheelchair-bound man with cerebral palsy who was beaten up by his wife is not a 'long term' victim of domestic abuse because he wasn't 'crying his eyes out'. – Daily Mail – June 4, 2019 – (United Kingdom)- <https://is.gd/IqNAMt>

57. “Out of Sight, Out of Mind: Zimbabwe Locks Up Its Disabled” - But they say thousands of people with a host of disabilities are locked away in Zimbabwe, both in homes and institutions, due to widespread fears they bring bad luck or practise witchcraft. “Disability is regarded as a punishment from God, and people don’t want to make it public and therefore lock up their disabled relatives,” – Reuters – May 30, 2019 – (Zimbabwe) - <https://is.gd/kdrrdO>

MISCELLANEOUS

58. “Simple Child Neglect is not as Simple as it Seems” - Confirming the occurrence of trauma, adults who were neglected as children experience symptoms that relate to any physical or clear traumatic events. – AN – NAHAR – May 31, 2019 – (Syria) - <https://is.gd/76ZNqW>