

Inclusive language

The UK Government recommends that respectful terminology (in regard to disability) includes:

Use

wheelchair user

disabled (people),
people with
disabilities

non-disabled

people with visual
impairments; blind
people; blind and
partially sighted
people

deaf, user of British
Sign Language (BSL),
person with a
hearing impairment

person with a
mental health
condition

Avoid

confined to a
wheelchair,
wheelchair-bound

(the) handicapped,
(the) disabled

able-bodied

the blind

deaf and dumb;
deaf mute

mental patient,
insane, mad

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