

PHYSICAL DISABILITIES



PHYSICAL DISABILITY

Part of the body:

- Functions differently
- Does not function at all
- Is missing or formed differently

TEMPORARY PHYSICAL DISABILITIES

- Broken bones
- Torn ligaments
- Sprains

Temporary
physical disabilities
go away
when the injury heals.



PERMANENT PHYSICAL DISABILITIES

Can happen in 3 ways: Birth, Illness or Injury

Birth

A person may be born without all or part of his/her limbs or with a medical condition such as cerebral palsy or spina bifida.

Illness

Some people have a physically disability as the result of serious illness that affects their body organs or ability to move or speak clearly.

INJURY

- Automobile accidents
- Bicycle accidents
- Sports injuries
- Diving accidents
- Falls
- Burns
- War
- Guns

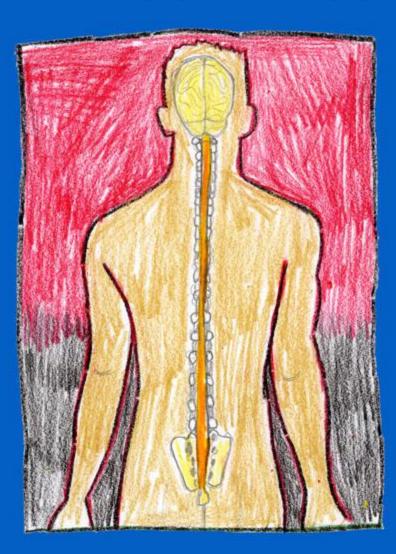
PREVENTION

Protect your body & brain by wearing seat belts and helmets





SPINAL CORD INJURY



SPINAL CORD OR BRAIN INJURY

- Brain messages could get jumbled
- Muscles may not move in a coordinated way
- Speech may be difficult to understand

INJURY TO THE BODY

- Permanent damage to arms or legs
- Loss of part or all of arms or legs
- Severe burns can cause loss of use of limbs

BARRIERS

- Architectural
- Attitudinal

HANDICAPS



Lack of accessible transportation



A step instead of a ramp



People's attitudes

FEELINGS AND FRIENDSHIP

- Are you uncomfortable, shy or curious, but don't want to stare?
- Do you want to avoid people with physical disabilities?
- How can you be a friend and an ally?

