

Achieving gender equality and empowering all women and girls with disabilities



Sustainable Development Goals

Goal 5:

- Achieving gender equality
- Empowering women and girls



Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities

Gender equality is a general principle to be taken into account each article of the Convention

Article 6:

- Ensure the full and equal enjoyment by women and girls with disabilities of all human rights and fundamental freedoms
- Ensure the full development, advancement and empowerment of women



Women with disabilities are three times more likely to have unmet needs for health care than men without disabilities



Women and girls with disabilities are three times more likely to be illiterate than men without disabilities



Women with disabilities are two times less likely to be employed than men without disabilities

Actions to achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls with disabilities



- Address the needs and perspectives of women and girls with disabilities in national strategies or action plans on disability and on gender
- Develop policies and programmes focused on women and girls with disabilities aiming at their full and equal participation in society
- Support the empowerment of women and girls with disabilities by investing in their education and supporting their transition from school to work
- Raise awareness on the needs of women and girls with disabilities and eliminate stigma and discrimination
- Enhance the collection, dissemination and analysis of data on women and girls with disabilities and disaggregate and disseminate data by sex, age and disability