

Scottish

Observatory

Learning Disabilities

This is an easy read summary of a research report about COVID-19

The Scottish Learning Disabilities Observatory (SLDO) did the research

People have been worried about whether COVID-19 affects people with learning disabilities worse than people without learning disabilities



SLDO tried to find out if COVID-19 affects people with learning disabilities worse than people without learning disabilities





They looked at how COVID-19 affected people between 24th January and 15th August 2020



The research looked at how many people with learning disabilities died from COVID-19

People with Learning Disabilities



People without Learning Disabilities



People with learning disabilities were more than 3 times more likely to die of COVID-19 than people without learning disabilities



The research looked at how many people with learning disabilities caught COVID-19

People with Learning Disabilities



People without Learning Disabilities



People with learning disabilities were twice as likely to catch COVID-19 than people without learning disabilities



The research looked at how many people became very ill with COVID-19

People with Learning Disabilities
People without Learning Disabilities

People with learning disabilities were twice as likely to become very ill from COVID-19 than people without learning disabilities

The research also looked at whether more people with learning disabilities had died in 2020 from all causes than in other years

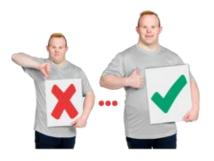




Slightly more people with learning disabilities died of all causes in 2020 than in other years



This research shows that COVID-19 has affected people with learning disabilities worse than people who do not have learning disabilities



We must do more to change this so that people with learning disabilities are safer from COVID-19





If you are worried or upset by any of the information here, you should talk to someone about it

This could be a family member or a friend or a support worker

