Review of information about how to improve the social inclusion and empowerment of people with disabilities.
This report looks at what information is available about how we can improve the social inclusion and empowerment of people with disabilities.

• **Social inclusion** means people with disabilities are listened to and feel included in their communities.

• **Empowerment** means people with disabilities are involved in making decisions that affect their lives.
• There are many people in the world with disabilities.

• About 1 in 7 people have a disability.

• About 1 in 20 children have a disability.

• People with disabilities are not always treated the same as other people. This is not fair.

• Many people with disabilities are not involved or listened to. This stops them having choice and control.
We looked for information about what can be done to help make sure people with disabilities are involved in making decisions, and are listened to and included in their communities.

- We found 16 reports that included this information.

- Most of the reports looked at training people with disabilities to help them have better relationships with their friends and families.
• Not many of the reports looked at how organisations or communities can help make sure people with disabilities are listened to and feel included.

• Not many of the reports looked at how to involve people with disabilities in making decisions.

• We need more information about how people with disabilities can be involved in making decisions, and listened to and included in their communities.

• People with all types of disabilities should be involved in decisions about how to solve problems that affect them.