**Video 1 – Access to Healthcare description**

**Introduction:**

This video on how to implement the rights of blind and partially sighted people to access health care, uses simply drawn animation and text on screen to illustrate the verbal message. The animation shows people with sight loss entering medical facilities, talking to reception personnel and medical staff.

**Scene-by-scene description:**

This line drawn animation using non-subject specific colours, illustrates the verbal message of the video.

The blue EBU eye logo animates, the eyeball moving from side to side as the voice asks:

Do you see blind and partially sighted persons?

The words the Right to Accessible Health Care are followed by the Red Cross emblem.

A blue envelope lands in the hand of a dark-haired male in a blue shirt and orange tie - a politician. Next to him, a woman with short dark hair in a blue dress - a decision maker in health care. Next to her, a female journalist with wavy blue hair, red glasses, a blue top with a white collar.

Animated question marks point down above their heads at the question: What have you done to make health care accessible for blind and partially sighted people?

A blind man with dark curly hair, walks into a gleaming white hospital concourse. A woman in a surgical coat moves out of view. The reception desk is unattended. To the man’s right, three notices in small print hang on a wall some distance away. A long corridor stretches ahead of him, with identical doors on both sides, leading to a double door at the far end. A question mark pops up in a bubble above his head.

The concourse floor is now colour differentiated. The central ambulatory lane is pink, the base of the corridor walls a contrasting darker colour. The three notices are now positioned on a large stand near to the blind man as he enters and a nurse steps out from behind her desk to accompany him. His left hand touches her shoulder, his right hand holds his cane.

The animated symbol of a cardiogram, pops up as the number 3 appears on the left of the screen, next to the words Good Health and Well Being, introducing sustainable development goal 3.

A brown skinned hand pulls out a document from a row of United Nations Conventions documents on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities. The number 25, representing article 25, appears above the blue UN emblem.

Six people face us, three raising their fists in protest as the narrative speaks of unusual situations such as pandemics.

A large red Covid symbol appears above them- an orb with red spikes of different lengths which has the menacing look of an alien space invader or an underwater bomb.

The six people now stand apart, with defined lines of separation between them and wearing face masks as corona viruses float among them.

As article 25 is explained, the blind man is met by an ophthalmologist who invites him into her examination room.

She tests his eyes using the latest eye test equipment and outside the window, a windmill next to some farm buildings, indicates that this surgery is in a remote area.

The patient is handed an information leaflet in braille.

The ophthalmologist imparts health information face to face.

A woman with low vision points to a health insurance offer, as a red cross and a question mark appear in a bubble above her head. She is firmly dismissed by a young man behind a desk, a large NO popping up in a bubble above his head.

The same woman approaches a nurse’s station and is dismissed with a wave of the hand and the word NO pops up a bubble above the nurse’s head.

On a positive note, the woman with low vision reads a health document using a magnifying glass in the light of an angle-poise lamp, using what residual sight she has.

A man brings his young son who wears glasses, to have an eye test to prevent further sight loss.

To illustrate that the level of access to healthcare for blind and partially sighted people is far from the level of access of others, the curly haired blind man arrives at the foot of a steep staircase leading to a health care facility. An exclamation mark pops up in a bubble above his head.

At the question, how to make this change, the politician, the health care decision maker and the journalist, each has a light bulb glowing above their heads with a downward arrow, known as a light bulb moment.

A fair skinned left hand holds a personal device with the words Access to Health Care across the top of it and the forefinger of the right hand, taps the share arrow.

The journalist interviews the politician and the health care decision maker. In a bubble above her head, a question mark, an Eye and a Red Cross symbolise the questions she is asking.

To illustrate working with local or national blind and partially sighted communities, the blind man and the woman with low vision are sitting with the health care decision maker, listening to a young man in a woollen hat and dark glasses, with a guide dog.

Above their heads a light projects the words, Nothing About Us, Without Us.

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