

# Resources for Legal Professionals

## General Resources on Disability, Abuse, AAC and The Law

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### Communication Pictures/Displays

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[www.mayer-johnson.com/](http://www.mayer-johnson.com/)

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Legalpix: A pictorial Journey Through British Columbia's Criminal Justice System. Kindale Developmental Association. A pictorial tool for preparing victims and witnesses for court. Kindale Developmental Association. [www.lawcourtsed.ca](http://www.lawcourtsed.ca) and [www.kindale.net/legal.html](http://www.kindale.net/legal.html)

Pictures, vocabulary, children, sexual abuse: [www.howitis.org.uk/index.htm](http://www.howitis.org.uk/index.htm)

Picture this..a journey through the criminal justice system. Public Legal Education and Information Service of New Brunswick. [www.legal-info-legale.nb.ca/](http://www.legal-info-legale.nb.ca/)

[www.aacsafeguarding.ca/](http://www.aacsafeguarding.ca/) for downloadable picture displays about abuse and the legal system.

### Training Guides on Related Topics for Legal Professionals:

Law Courts Education Society of BC and Kindale Developmental Association (2004). Developmental Disabilities and the Justice System: A Training Package.

Chapman, C. 1996. Charting New Waters: responding to Violence Against Women with disabilities. Justice Institute of British Columbia.

Equal Justice for people with Mental Retardation. Curriculum for Lawyers (A trainer's guide). The Institute on Disabilities at Temple University, Philadelphia. USA.

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Hutchinson Mac Lean, L. 1998. Admissible in Court: Interviewing witnesses who live with disabilities. Lethbridge. Alberta. Canada.

### Useful Websites

Sexual assault and people with disabilities: [www.wcasa.org/](http://www.wcasa.org/);  
[www.womanabuseprevention.com/](http://www.womanabuseprevention.com/), <http://dawn.thot.net/>

Augmentative and Alternative Communication: [www.accpc.ca/](http://www.accpc.ca/)

Child abuse and disability: [www.disability-abuse.com/cando/index.htm](http://www.disability-abuse.com/cando/index.htm)

Abuse and disability: [www.austin-safespace.org/](http://www.austin-safespace.org/)

Victims of crime with disabilities: <http://wind.uwyo.edu/wind/default.asp>

Legal issues: [www.ncjrs.gov/](http://www.ncjrs.gov/)

Legal issues: [www.archdisabilitylaw.ca/](http://www.archdisabilitylaw.ca/)