Not Every Disability is Visible survey results

People with invisible disabilities face discrimination just for using the accessible toilets they urgently need.

The public:

People living with Crohn's or Colitis:



of negative experiences when using an accessible toilet included verbal and/or physical abuse¹



said that they have had an accident or experienced unpleasant symptoms because a member of the public wouldn't let them jump the toilet queue¹



report having had a negative experience from the public for using an accessible toilet²

of people said they have

felt prevented from going

to restaurants (49%) and

pubs (43%) because they

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fear discrimination¹



living with invisible conditions¹

Over 80% said that they feel more comfortable visiting places with the Not Every Disability is Visible signs installed¹

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make choices about which restaurants. pubs or cafés to visit, based on the accessibility of their toilets1



of people who

challenge healthy-looking people using accessible toilets think they are 'standing up' for the rights of disabled people or that it's 'not fair' on others³

More 1 of the public said they were

aware of Crohn's and Colitis, but

of these could correctly identify the five main symptoms of the conditions⁴



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1 Immunology DoF 19MAR2019 MI SG 001 (unpublished data from Not Every Disability is Visible 2019 Patient Survey, March 2019).

- 2 Immunology_DoF_25Jan2019_MI_PC_001 (unpublished data from Toilet Consortium UK's 2017 Survey, July 2017)
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