

Health



Illness



Long term



Short term



**Little limitation
in everyday life**



**Much limitation
in everyday life**





headache



A headache involves pain in and around the head and can be an indicator for stress or a weather change. A headache can be very uncomfortable, but most of the time it is medically harmless. There are about 220 different types of headaches with many different types of pain. In addition to backache, headache is one of the most common health problems.





broken leg



There are 206 different types of bones in the human body. If more pressure is put on a bone than it can stand, it will split or break. People with a broken leg, for example cannot, or can barely move anymore. In most cases a plaster cast fixes the broken leg so that the bones can grow together more easily.





alcoholism



Alcoholism is a broad term for drinking of any kind of alcohol that results in problems. It is medically considered an addictive illness, meaning compulsive and uncontrolled consumption of alcoholic beverages. People with this addiction can neither control their alcohol consumption nor their behaviour when they are drunk. Stopping the alcohol consumption is the only way to stop the illness. In most cases professional support is necessary. Alcoholism is a serious illness and can cause life-threatening diseases.





**wheelchair
user**



There are many reasons why people use a wheelchair for example a variety of illnesses or an accident. It is generally common for paraplegic people to use a wheelchair. Paraplegia is a complete paralysis of the lower half of the body, usually caused by damage to the spinal cord. The nerves in their backs are disconnected stopping nerve impulses from reaching the legs and feet.





deafness



People who are hard of hearing or deaf are nearly or totally unable to hear any types of sound. Deafness can be inborn or caused by an illness. In some cases a deaf aid can help people to sense acoustic stimuli.





Chickenpox



Chickenpox or Varicella is a highly contagious illness with a duration of 7 to 10 days that causes a fever and red spots on the skin. It mainly affects three to ten-year-old children, who are then immune. However, grown-ups can also be affected.





mental handicap



Mentally handicapped people find it hard to learn, make plans or have discussions. The handicap can influence the growth of the mental and physical development of each human in different ways. Mental handicaps are caused by metabolic disorders, complications during birth or can also be inborn, for example the Down's-syndrome.

