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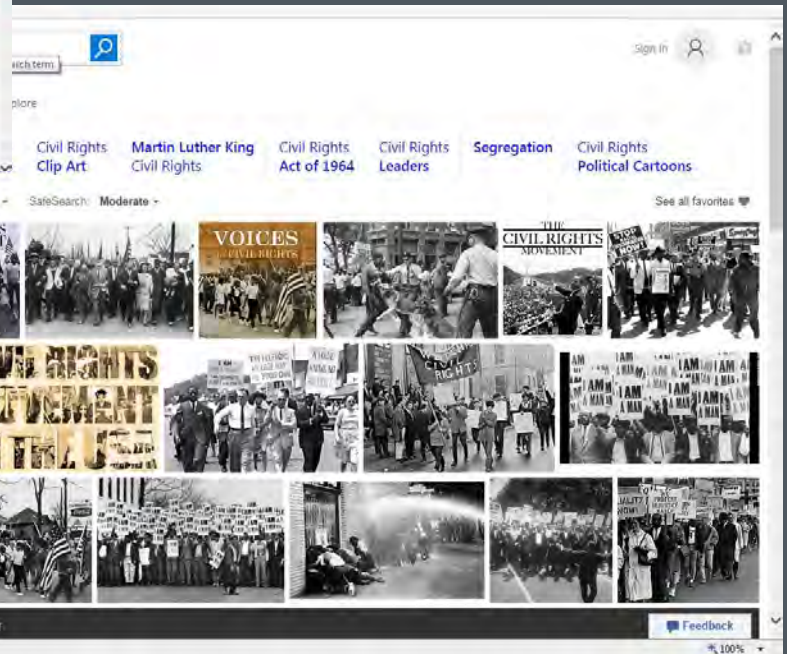
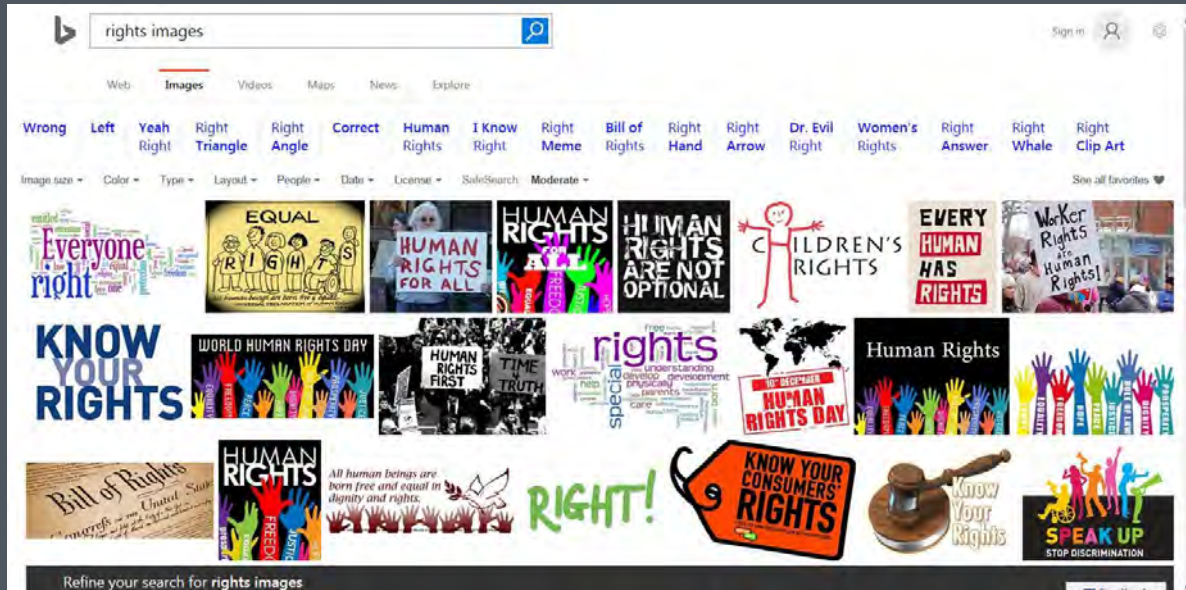
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# Three disabilities



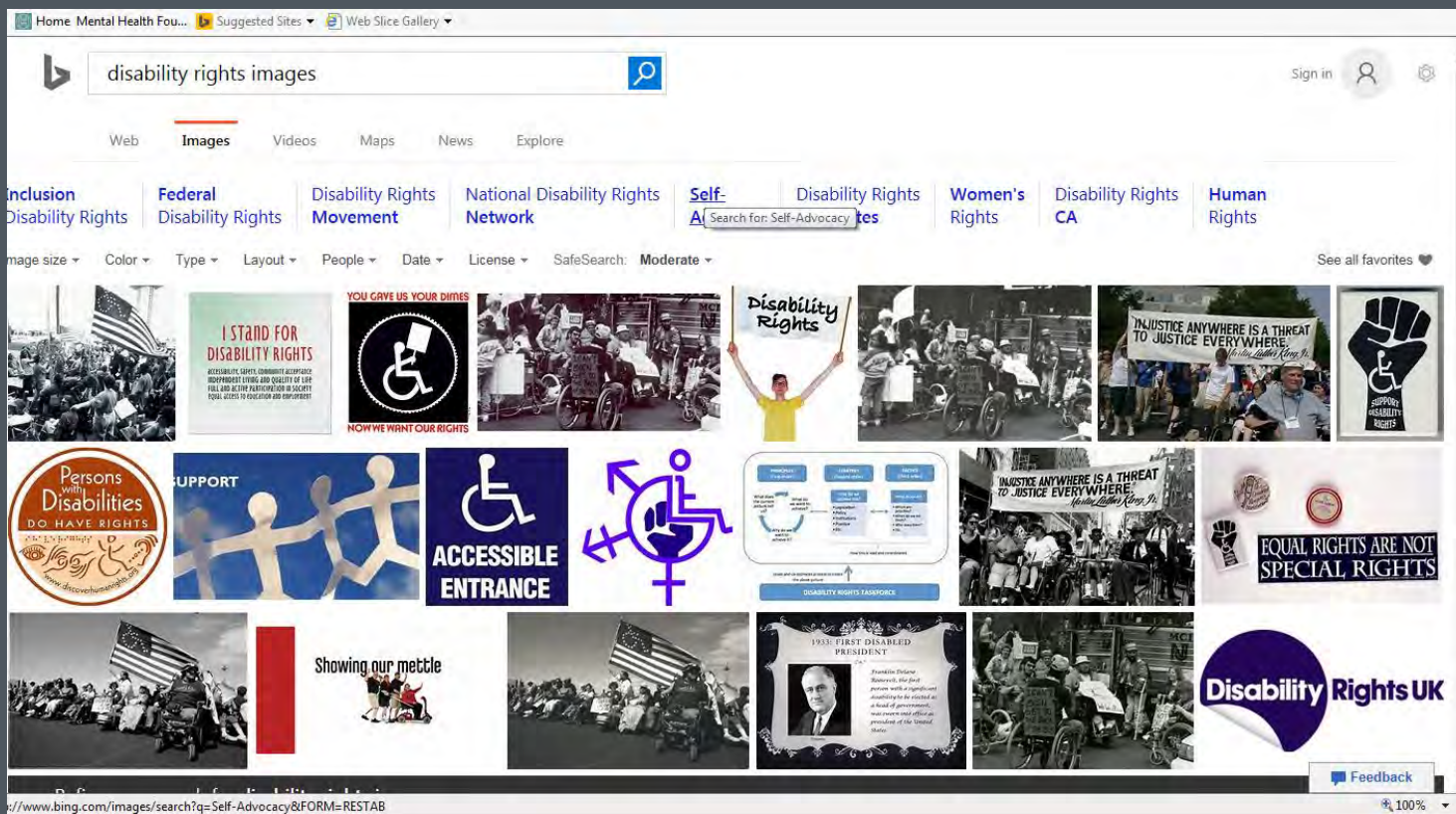
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# Rights and civil rights



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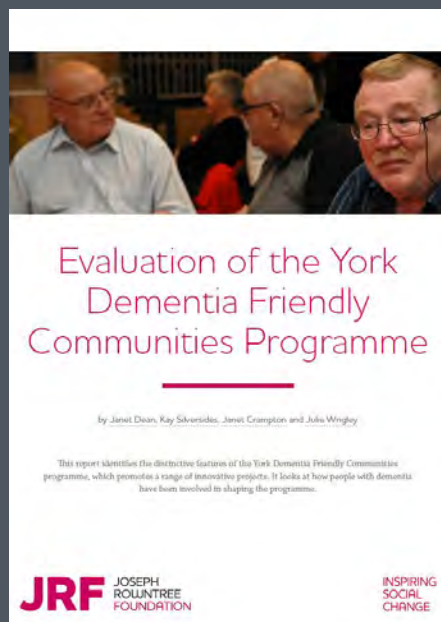
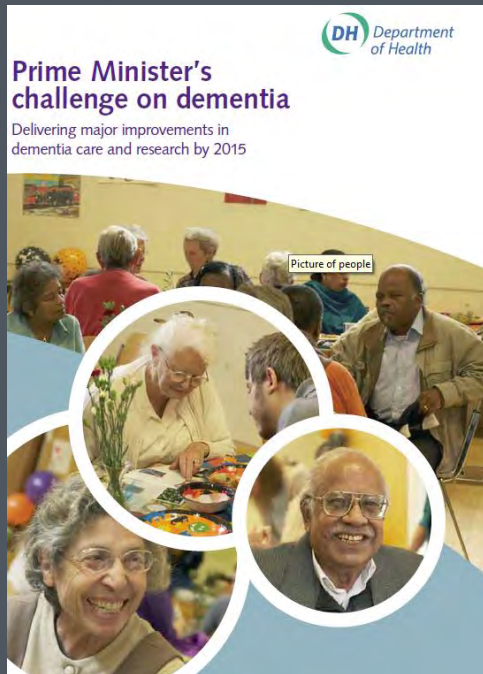
# Disability rights



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# Dementia 'friendly' → dementia 'accessible' communities

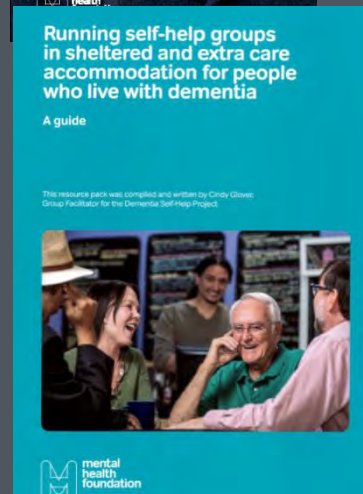


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## Mental Capacity and the Mental Capacity Act 2005

A literature review



- UK charity
- Mental health problems, learning disabilities, dementia, public mental health – all ages
- Social research, service development, influencing, information and guidance
- Focus on prevention, involvement and inclusion, peer support and self management approaches, rights and equalities



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# *Dementia, rights and the social model of disability*



- 9 month project funded by the Joseph Rowntree Foundation
- Involved people with dementia, carers, disability activists, legal experts, practitioners and policy makers
- Policy report, briefing and lay summary published in 2015

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## The Human Rights of People Living with Dementia: from Rhetoric to Reality



A Dementia Alliance International publication to coincide with the adoption by Alzheimer's Disease International of a Human Rights based approach, and to coincide with Dementia Awareness Week UK 2016

16 May 2016 (first edition)

# Values, Equalities, Rights and Dementia Network (VERDe)

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The second network event will be held on 2nd June 2016 in London and will discuss:



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# Dementia

## Equity and Rights



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## *Dementia, Equity and Rights*

- Overarching themes
- ‘Actions for commissioners and providers’ - services for people with dementia and ‘dementia friendly communities’
- An equity and rights based approach to dementia policy and practice?
- Scotland – dementia policy developed using a human rights based approach (HRBA)



# Making an HRBA work

## PANEL principles

- Apply this to policy making, research, service and community development through the 'PANEL' principles
- **P** – participation (in decisions)
- **A** – accountability (monitoring and ensuring adherence to human rights)
- **N** – non-discrimination and equality (prohibiting discrimination)
- **E** – empowerment (information and support to enable participation)
- **L** – legality (rights are represented and complied with in law)



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