

Hi my name is Jeff. I have a disability... I want to tell you about something that happened to me recently.

I went to visit a really lovely lady at the Daily Planet. She is soooo beautiful. and she is very kind. I thought she was great. She treated me with respect and she made me feel good about me, she made me feel proud. She made me feel over the moon... I slept for three days after I saw her, she made me feel so relaxed and happy. I couldn't wipe the smile off my face.

She did a dance for me. It was the most beautiful thing I have ever seen... she made me feel special.

I went to see her with my Scope support staff as the bed at the Daily Planet is too low and I need help to get ready... I wish they had a hoist..., then I could get on the bed.



I just wanted to say thanks to that lovely lady and thanks for the way she treated me. Sometimes people talk different to me because I have a disability... but this lady didn't... she treated me like a man.

I am a man but sometimes people forget this. Thanks Jeff.



Everyone deserves loving

A sex worker talks about providing services to people with disability.

Gemma Before I started sex working I had already researched and was interested in people with a disability, their rights and advocacy.

RhED Health Ed/Kima *How many people have you worked with who have a disability?*

Gemma On my first shift – I didn't think about it and didn't realise on my first shift that the client had an intellectual disability. Once I realised, I gave him the best service. His dad had brought him in on his pension day. I tried to engage with him, but all he could say was YES Harder – smiling a lot.

RhED Health Ed/Kima *How does working with a client with disability make you feel?*

Gemma Everyone deserves loving as long as they are respectful, it doesn't matter if they have a disability or not. Either way they will all get a good service from me. Sex workers can be important service providers for some people with disability. A carer's work is also important as some clients with disability find it difficult to undress and clean themselves before and after a service.

Gemma It is not the sex worker's role to get a client with a disability 'ready for a service', or out of their wheelchair, if they have one. A helpful carer stays close by and gets their client ready for the service, such as undressing and cleaning. It can also be helpful if the carer feels confident themselves about taking their client to a brothel to see a sex worker.

It is also really helpful if the brothel supports people with disability to access their establishment and also to support the sex workers who work with people with disability.

Servicing a client with disability makes me really happy. The client couldn't control his electric wheelchair after the service, as his emotions were on a high. He had "sex wobbly legs".