

1.1 Preliminary study and rationale

The World Health Organization, (2015) estimates that 15% of the world population ~~—~~ ~~or~~ 1 billion people worldwide ~~—~~ have one or other form of disability. ~~Of these people, of~~ ~~which~~ 400 million live in developing countries and 80 million in Africa. Studies (Grech, 2015; Lonne, Harries, Featherstone and Gray 2016; Manor-Binyamini 2014; Shakespeare, 2018) further show that most of the ~~people living with disabilities~~ ~~world's population with disability worldwide~~ come from developing countries, and that they are often found in the poorest areas. Moreover, ~~the~~ World Health Organization, (2015) ~~estimates~~ ~~calculates~~ that 5.1% of children in the world have a disability, and that physical disability is the leading type of ~~disability~~ ~~impairment~~ in children. One in 20 of the children with disabilities worldwide have moderate to severe disabilities (World Health Organization 2015). Additionally, ~~—~~ authors (Manor-binyamini, 2014; Rimmerman, 2015; Runswick-Cole, Curran ~~and~~ ~~&~~ Liddiard, 2018) assert that many children with a physical disability come from Africa, ~~and that this is frequently the result of~~ ~~and that it is the result of~~ poverty, ~~—~~ inadequate health care services ~~and~~ ~~and~~ uncleared landmines.

Research shows that prior to the 19th century, many societies mistreated people



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Studies (Engelbrecht ~~and~~ & Green, 2018; Mitchell & Snyder, 2015) further show that, in Lesotho, poverty often has been proven to leads to physical disabilitieses of in children through unassisted births, malnutrition, inadequate health care, accidents, HIV/AIDS, inadequate infrastructure, unsafe transport and unsanitary living conditions. ~~All the same~~However, despite the apparent need, the government of Lesotho does not have a specific grant for people with disabilities,~~but~~. A selection of peoplea few that are found to be in dire poverty are given grant money of R750 (equivalent to \$55.87) four times ~~in~~ a year, but this is not enough to cover their expenses, especially not for the specific care needed by persons with disabilities.

However, ultimately, although the correlation between disability and poverty is clear, merely regarding it as a charity matter is not sufficient. Harmful societal views surrounding disability and persons with disabilities should also be addressed in order to create a society that is more inclusive and accessible. In short, disability should be viewed much more holistically than just a charity matter.

1.2 Needs of children with physical disabilities

Children with physical disabilities in Lesotho face several physical, social, economic, and political obstacles to have their needs met. For the purposes of this study children with physical disabilities will be persons below the age of 18 who have limitations in performing physical and other activities and these limitations have a significant impact in their daily lives (Barnes 2016; Runswick-Cole, Curran and Liddiard, 2018). Although some authors (Graham, Moodley, Ismail, Munsaka & Ross, 2014) view visual and hearing impairments as sensory impairments, for the purposes of this study these sensory impairments will be regarded as a form of physical disability. Children with physical disabilities often do not get access to



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I think you may want to develop this concluding section a bit. Your rationale begins broadly, discussing historical views of disability, then narrows down to perceptions of disability in Africa, then to disability in Lesotho specifically. Then you discuss the correlation between poverty and disability. Usually an abstract/problem statement needs a “so what” section, or a focus point. What conclusion are you coming to in your rationale? What are you focusing on? Needs to be a bit clearer (see if you like how I tried to bring everything together in the last paragraph).