Understanding Society User Support - Support #1229

Equality Act 2010 definition of disability

08/20/2019 03:34 PM - Onyinye Ezeyi

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Assignee:	Onyinye Ezeyi			
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Description

Hi there,

I would like to conduct some analysis on disabled sample members in USoc as defined by the Equality Act 2010 (EA2010). EA2010 defines an individual to be disabled if they "have a physical or mental impairment that has a 'substantial' and 'long-term' negative effect on your ability to do normal daily activities." (source: https://www.gov.uk/definition-of-disability-under-equality-act-2010)

I have identified the variable g_health in wave 7 as covering the 'long-term' element of the EA2010 definition. However, I would like some guidance on how I go about identifying the 'day to day' element of the EA2010 definition. Would it be sufficient to class individuals as EA2010 disabled if they provide at least one response to the variable g_disdif i.e. state that their health is limited by the activities listed in g_disdif? Or I assume that individuals that state 'yes' in the g_health variable are EA2010 disabled?

Thanks in advance,
Onyinye

History

#1 - 08/21/2019 10:21 AM - Alita Nandi

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Hi Onyinye,

Please read the text of the question "disdif" in the questionnaire for Wave 7 to determine if someone who mentions at least on of these conditions would qualify as disabled by the EA2010 definition. You can find the questionnaire here:
https://www.understandingsociety.ac.uk/documentation/mainstage/questionnaires
Click on "Wave 7" and then download the pdf file "Mainstage - questionnaire.pdf"

But note that, g_disdif question was asked only of those who said yes to having a long term disability (g_health = 1). So, everyone who qualifies as having a disability by definition using g_disdif (i.e., at least one of the g_disdif* = 1) will also qualify based on g_health (g_health-1), but all those who qualify based on g_health (g_health = 1) which not qualify based on g_disdif (i.e., at least one of the g_disdif* = 1)

Best wishes,
Alita

#2 - 08/21/2019 10:23 AM - Alita Nandi

- Assignee set to Onyinye Ezeyi

#3 - 08/27/2019 03:40 PM - Stephanie Auty

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#4 - 09/13/2019 10:44 AM - Gundi Knies

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