

Various flags and other symbols of Disability Pride have been created over the years. None are broadly or uniformly adopted across the community. Personally, I like the symbolism in the Disability Pride flag created by Ann Magill, a disabled woman, and registered under International Public Domain.

The flag itself is a black field or background with a diagonal zigzag lightning bolt formed by five parallel colored stripes.

The black field is a color of mourning for those who have suffered ableist violence. That violence can range from verbal abuse and bullying to homicide. People with disabilities are even murdered by their own parents, relatives, or caregivers often enough that "anti-filicide toolkits" are needed and exist. But black also represents rebellion and protest against that violence.

The zigzag shape represents the creative ways disabled people must navigate barriers.

The five colors represent the variety of needs and experiences across the disabled community.

Blue = Mental Illness

Yellow = Developmental Disability/Intellectual Disability

White = Invisible and Undiagnosed Disabilities

Red = Physical Disabilities

Green = Sensory Disabilities

Finally, the stripes are parallel to represent solidarity within the disability community across all their differences.