

## United Spinal Association Disability Etiquette PSA 2019 Radio PSA Script / 60 Seconds

Jose: Hello, I'm Jose Hernandez, and I've been using a wheelchair since my accident in 1995.

Andrea: My name is Andrea Dalzell, and I've been using a wheelchair since I was 5 years old.

Jose: I guess if I had one message for the general public, it would be that we appreciate your

help, but please ask first.

Andrea: Yeah, a lot of people don't realize that I've actually got everything under control...

Jose: I think people get nervous. They don't know how to act, so they just pretend I'm not

there...

Andrea: What probably bothers me the most is when waiters talk to my husband and not

directly to me!

Jose: I think everyone with a disability can relate to the parking spot problem!

Andrea: We know that you're just parking in that disabled spot for a second! But please don't!

(Laughs!)

Jose and Andrea together:

We're just looking for the same respect and consideration as everyone else.

Narrator: This is a message from United Spinal Association. Download our Disability Etiquette

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Jose: Hello, I'm Jose Hernandez, and I've been using a wheelchair since my accident 1995.

I guess if I had a message for the general public, it would be that I appreciate your help, but please ask first. I know you mean well, but I've usually got everything under control.

And if I don't, I'll ask for assistance.

People with disabilities just want the same respect and consideration as everyone else.

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Andrea: Hello, my name is Andrea Dalzell, and I've been using a wheelchair since I was 5 years

old.

If I had one message for the general public, it would be "Relax!" Some folks get really flustered around disabled people, so they just pretend we're not there. I've actually had

waiters talk to my husband and completely ignore me!

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