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Resources on Disabilities

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Cutter, William. "Through A Jewish Lens: Comments on a Multi-Cultural Examination of Disabilities." 13 Sept. 2001. Address.

Through Jewish texts, Dr. Cutter initiates a conversation of the tension between inclusivity and feeling estranged during a conference in 2001 at the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion.

Friedman, Dayle A. "Seeking the Tzelem: Making Sense of Dementia." *The Reconstructionist*. Spring 2006.

With a background of 25 years working with elders, Friedman's article offers an exploration of the meaning of dementia and an effort to put it in a theological context.

Goldsmith, Ellen R. "Mental Health Diagnosis: Commonly seen Disorders for Adults and Children."

This document provides definitions of a number of Mental Health Diagnoses.

Kipnes, Paul J. "Lifting the Veil of Silence: A Mi Shebeirach for Those Struggling with Mental Illnesses." October 2003. Sermon.

In his Yom Kippur sermon, Rabbi Kipnes addresses the "veil of silence" and the discomfort people feel around mental illness. He offers a charge to lift up the veil, and not be afraid to talk about mental illnesses and to acknowledge that they, too, are in need of healing.

Rodecker, Diane. "Synagogues Learning about the Importance of Inclusion." *The Orange County Register*. September 23, 2001.

Rodecker focuses on the importance of inclusion of all in synagogue communities. She addresses physical barriers that need to be removed and also addresses the progress that has been made.

Scenarios for Mental Health Seminar.

Three Mental Health Case Studies.

Texts for Spiegel Seminars. January 2009.

Jewish texts on Mental Health.

Weisman, Yaffa. "Disability in the Hebrew Bible: Interpreting Mental and Physical Differences." Review. *Catholic Library World* Sept. 2009: 37.

Weisman's review on Samuel M. Olyan's book "Disability in the Hebrew Bible: Interpreting Mental and Physical Differences."