

Principles applicable to people with disability

- 1 People with disabilities have the inherent right to respect for their human worth and dignity.
- 2 People with disabilities, whatever the origin, nature, type or degree of disability, have the same basic human rights as other members of society and should be enabled to exercise those basic human rights.
- 3 People with disabilities have the same rights as other members of society to realise their individual capacities for physical, social, emotional, intellectual and spiritual development.
- 4 People with disabilities have the same right as other members of society to services which will support their attaining a reasonable quality of life in a way that also recognises the role and needs of their families and carers.
- 5 People with disabilities have the same right as other members of society to participate in, direct and implement the decisions which affect their lives.
- 6 People with disabilities have the same right as other members of society to receive services in a manner that results in the least restriction of their rights and opportunities.
- 7 People with disabilities have the same right as other members of society to pursue any grievance concerning services.
- 8 People with disabilities have the same right to access the type of services and supports that they believe are most appropriate to meet their needs.
- 9 People with disabilities have the same rights as other members of society to realise their individual capacities for physical, social, emotional, intellectual and spiritual development.
- 10 People with disabilities have a right to an environment free from neglect, abuse, intimidation and exploitation.