

Every Child Matters

The five Outcomes and the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC)

These articles of the UNCRC are relevant to all five Outcomes

Article 1

Everyone under 18 years of age has all the rights stated in the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child.

Article 2

The Convention applies to everyone, whatever their nation, race, colour, sex, religion, abilities, opinion, wealth or social position.

Article 3

All organisations concerned with children should work towards what is best for each child.

Article 4

Governments shall take all necessary steps to make these rights available to all children.

Article 6

All children have the right to life. Governments should ensure that children survive and develop healthily.

Article 12

Governments to ensure that children have the right to express freely their views and to take account of children's views. Children have the right to be heard in any legal or administrative matters that affect them.

Article 22

Refugee children have the right to protection and assistance and the same rights as other children wherever they are or whatever their circumstance.

Being healthy

Enjoying good physical and mental health and living a healthy lifestyle

Staying safe

Being protected from harm and neglect and growing up able to look after themselves

Enjoying and achieving

Getting the most out of life and developing broad skills for adulthood

Making a positive contribution

To the community and to society and not engaging in anti-social or offending behaviour

Economic well-being

Not being prevented by economic disadvantage from achieving their full potential in life

Article 23

Special care and support for children with special needs

Article 24

Right to health care, clean drinking water, nutritious food and a clean environment

Article 27

Standard of living that meets physical, mental, spiritual, moral and social needs

Article 31

Right to rest, play and enjoy art and culture

Article 36

Right to protection from any activities that harm welfare and development

Article 9

Right to family life unless the child is abused or neglected

Article 10

Right of families to be together

Article 13

Right to receive and share information so long as it is not damaging

Article 18

Governments must support parents with services for children

Article 19

Government protection of children, including from abuse or neglect by parents

Article 5

Governments respect the rights and responsibilities of parents

Article 7

Birth registration and nationality

Article 13

Right to receive and share information so long as it is not damaging

Article 14

Freedom of thought and religion, government respect for parental guidance

Article 15

Right to meet together and join groups

Article 5

Governments respect the rights and responsibilities of parents

Article 10

Right of families to be together

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Article 14

Freedom of thought and religion, government respect for parental guidance

Article 8

Government respect child's right to name, nationality, family

Article 10

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Enjoying good physical and mental health and living a healthy lifestyle

Article 39

Governments to help restore a child's health, self-respect and dignity after abuse or neglect

Staying safe

Being protected from harm and neglect and growing up able to look after themselves

Article 20

Governments to provide proper care and protection for children without family

Article 21

Adoption of children according to what is best for a child

Article 25

Children in care, protection or under treatment to be reviewed regularly

Article 32

Protection from work that is dangerous or detrimental to health or education

Article 33

Protection from dangerous drugs

Article 34

Protection from sexual abuse

Article 35

Children should not be abducted or sold

Article 36

Protection from activities that harm development

Article 37

Fair treatment by the law; not imprisoned with adults

Article 39

Help to restore health, self-respect and dignity after abuse or neglect

Article 40

Child offenders to receive legal help; prison is last resort

Enjoying and achieving

Getting the most out of life and developing broad skills for adulthood

Article 17

Right to reliable information from the media; information provided that young people can understand

Article 20

Governments to provide proper care and protection for children without family

Article 23

Special care and support for children with special needs

Article 28

Right to education

Article 29

Education should develop each child's personality, talents and abilities to their fullest potential, as well as develop respect for parents, other members of human society, and the environment

Article 30

Right to use language, religion and customs of family or group

Article 31

Right to rest, play and enjoy art and culture

Making a positive contribution

To the community and to society and not engaging in anti-social or offending behaviour

Article 15

Right to meet together and to join groups

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Article 42

Governments to ensure that everyone, adults and young people, is aware of the rights and responsibilities contained in UNCRC

Economic well-being

Not being prevented by economic disadvantage from achieving their full potential in life

Article 26

Extra support for families in need

Article 27

Standard of living that meets physical, mental, spiritual, moral and social needs

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