

Human Rights Consortium Scotland



Briefing 3 – Disabled People’s Rights



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The Scottish Government is making a new law about **human rights**.



Human rights mean the basic rights and freedoms that belong to every person in the world.



The new law will bring in human rights agreed by lots of countries.

These agreements are called international human rights treaties.



1 part of this new law will be the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities.

This Convention is also called CRPD.



This document is about CRPD and what it says.

CRPD is a big list of rights for disabled people.



It says that disabled people have the same rights as everyone else.



The Government need to take away any barriers that stop disabled people getting their rights.

Some of CRPD's rights



1. Disabled people have the right to life.

The Government needs to protect disabled people's lives just as it protects other people's lives.



2. Disabled people have the right to get:

- services
- information
- transport



This is the same as for people who are not disabled.



3. Disabled people have the right to the best possible health they can have.



4. Disabled people have the right to be protected from danger and violence.



5. Disabled people have the right to education.



6. Disabled people have the right to good enough:

- food
- water
- clothes
- housing



7. Disabled people have the right to work.

What happens next



The CRPD says that the Government must tell more people about:

- disabled people's rights
- the things that disabled people can do
- the strengths that disabled people can offer to our communities



The Government must not let **prejudice** against disabled people happen.

In this document **prejudice** means when someone thinks something negative about disabled people that is not based on facts.



Putting CRPD into law means that disabled people will be able to use these rights.

They will be able to use them to make sure they are treated equally in Scotland.