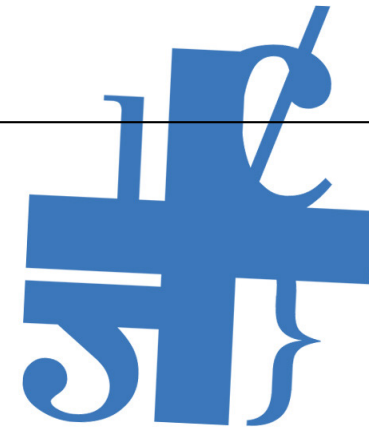


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# **Human rights: essentials for modern psychiatry**

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# A new standard?

... particular attention should be  
paid to vulnerable groups,  
including women, persons with  
disabilities ...



# Human rights based approach

All human beings are born free and equal in dignity and rights (...)

Article 1, Universal Declaration of Human Rights



# Essentials of modern psychiatry

- Scope of protection for „persons with disabilities“
- Right to health
- Legal capacity
- Accessibility
- Participation



# “Persons with disabilities ...

... include those who have long-term physical, mental, intellectual or sensory impairments which in interaction with various barriers may hinder their full and effective participation in society on an equal basis with others.”

- Article 1 CRPD



# Right to health

“... recognize the right of everyone to the enjoyment of the highest attainable standard of physical & mental health .. “

- Article 12 Covenant on Economic, Social & Cultural Rights



# Legal capacity

... shall accord to women, in civil matters, a legal capacity identical to that of men and the same opportunities to exercise that capacity .. “

*Article 15 Convention on the Elimination of all Forms of Discrimination Against Women*



# Accessibility

- **Communication**
  - Sensory impairments
  - Easy to understand
  - Orientation
- **Social**
  - Non-discrimination
  - Stigma
- **Financial (affordability)**

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# Participation is an obligation

“... shall closely consult with and actively involve persons with disabilities, including children with disabilities ...”

Article 4 (3) CRPD



# To be continued ...

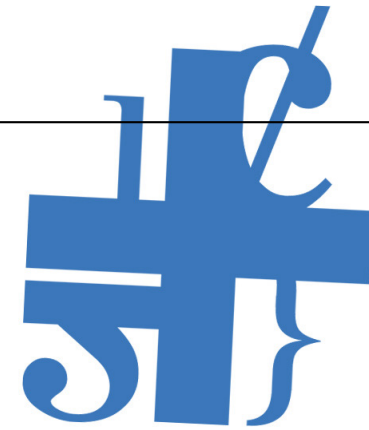
- Freedom from stigma
- Prevention of Violence
- Right to the advances of scientific progress
- Child's best interest
- Multiple discrimination
- Dignity of risk



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