

Children and Youth in care have the following rights:

To be fed, clothed and nurtured and to be given the same quality of care as other children in their placement

To be informed about their plans of care

To be consulted and to express their views about significant decisions affecting them



To reasonable privacy and to possession of their personal belongings



To be free from physical and abusive punishment

To be informed of the standard of behaviour expected by their caregivers and the consquences of not meeting their caregivers' expectations



To receive medical and dental care when they need it

To participate in social and recreational activities according to their abilities and interests



Children and Youth in care have the following rights:



To participate and learn the religion of their choice

To be informed of their legal rights and the ways those rights can be enforced

To receive guidance and encouragement to maintain their cultural heritage





To have an interpreter provided if language or disability is a barrier to consulting with them on decisions affecting their custody or care

To privacy during discussions with members of their families

To privacy during discussions with a lawyer, the Representative or Ombudsman or their staff, or a politican

To be informed about and be assisted with contacting the Representative's office or the Ombudsman.



For more information, contact the Representative

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