Children With Disabilities In Canada

Alternative Report for the 5th/6th
Review of Canada
Under the Convention on the Rights of the Child (CRC)

Reporting Timeline

- -In accordance with the UN reporting cycle, the report was published in 2020.
- -Amendments have been filed to update progress on human rights and Covid related policies.
- -The government will appear before the UN Committee in May 2022 to review.





What Were the Amendments?

Current research on Canadian pandemic policies that reflected the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD)

(More information to come.)

Topics Approached in the Report

- -A need for greater data collection measures.
- -National implementati<mark>on and monitoring of the CRC and CRPD.</mark>
- -Improve access to disability-related services.
- -Establish clear funding allocation policies.
- -Support policies that contribute to participation in community, play and rest.
- -The Accessible Canada Act and its lack of support for children.
- -The need for provincial, federal and territorial collaboration in policy development.
- -Including children in public engagement on policy development.



What's Next?

Organizations and citizens can encourage the government to follow up on the Committee's recommendations. They can connect with or write government officials, as well as UNICEF, other relevant UN agencies and children, in order to discuss the Concluding Observations and the steps which can be taken to implement them.



How Can You Help?

There is a lack of awareness about human rights monitoring and reporting in Canada at a provincial level.

This barrier can potentially shift by organizations creating plain language versions of the Alternative Report or spreading awareness online. Individuals can then share this information with policy makers or disabled Canadians and their families.

"I am frustrated when I can't go in places where I want to go with my wheelchair" (Youth, 16 years old).

These Organizations To Stay Informed



British Columbia Aboriginal Network on Disability Society (BCANDS)







Council of Canadians with Disabilities









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