Cards for Activity 1

Extract of UN CRPD articles of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities

UN CRPD articles 1-4 are foundational articles that articulate the purpose, definitions and general principles of the Convention and establish general obligations for States Parties and are not included here.

Print the pages below single sided on card and cut into strips – one strip for each of the 27 UN CRPD articles included here. Laminate the cards if you want to re-use them.

UN CRPD article 5: Equality and non-discrimination

Everyone is entitled to the equal protection and benefit of the law without discrimination.

UN CRPD article 6: Women with disabilities

Countries must take all appropriate measures to ensure that women with disabilities are able to fully enjoy the rights and freedoms set out in the UN CRPD.

UN CRPD article 7: Children with disabilities

The best interests of the child must be a primary consideration in all actions concerning children with disabilities.

UN CRPD article 8: Awareness-raising

Countries must raise awareness of the rights, capabilities and contributions of persons with disabilities.

UN CRPD article 9: Accessibility

Persons with disabilities have the right to access all aspects of society on an equal basis with others including the physical environment, transportation, information and communications, and other facilities and services provided to the public.

UN CRPD article 10: Right to life

Persons with disabilities have the right to life. Countries must take all necessary measures to ensure that persons with disabilities are able to effectively enjoy this right on an equal basis with others.

UN CRPD article 11: Situations of risk and humanitarian emergencies

Countries must take all necessary measures to ensure the protection and safety of all persons with disabilities in situations of risk, including armed conflict, humanitarian emergencies and natural disasters.

UN CRPD article 12: Equal recognition before the law

Persons with disabilities have the right to recognition as persons before the law. Persons with disabilities have legal capacity on an equal basis with others in all aspects of life. Countries must take appropriate measures to provide support to persons with disabilities so that they can effectively exercise their legal capacity.

UN CRPD article 13: Access to justice

Persons with disabilities have the right to effective access to justice on an equal basis with others, including through the provision of appropriate accommodations.

UN CRPD article 14: Liberty and security of person

Persons with disabilities have the right to liberty and security of person on an equal basis with others.

UN CRPD article 15: Freedom from torture or cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment

Persons with disabilities have the right to be free from torture and from cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment.

UN CRPD article 16: Freedom from exploitation, violence and abuse Persons with disabilities have the right to be protected from all forms of exploitation, violence and abuse, including their gender-based aspects, within and outside the home.

UN CRPD article 17: Protecting the integrity of the person

Every person with disabilities has a right to respect for his or her physical and mental integrity on an equal basis with others.

UN CRPD article 18: Liberty of movement and nationality

Persons with disabilities have the right to a nationality and liberty of movement.

UN CRPD article 19: Living independently and being included in the community

Persons with disabilities have the right to live independently in the community.

UN CRPD article 20: Personal mobility

Countries must take effective and appropriate measures to ensure personal mobility for persons with disabilities in the manner and time of their choice, and at affordable cost.

UN CRPD article 21: Freedom of expression and opinion, and access to information

Persons with disabilities have the right to express themselves, including the freedom to give and receive information and ideas through all forms of communication.

UN CRPD article 22: Respect for privacy

Persons with disabilities have the right to privacy. Information about persons with disabilities, including personal information and information about their health should be protected.

UN CRPD article 23: Respect for home and the family

Persons with disabilities have the right to marry and to found a family. Countries must provide effective and appropriate support to persons with disabilities in bringing up children, and provide alternative care to children with disabilities where the immediate family is unable to care for them.

UN CRPD article 24: Education

Persons with disabilities have a right to education without discrimination. Countries must provide reasonable accommodation and individualised support to maximise academic and social development.

UN CRPD article 25: Health

Persons with disabilities have the right to the enjoyment of the highest attainable standard of health without discrimination.

UN CRPD article 26: Habilitation and rehabilitation

Countries must take effective and appropriate measures to enable persons with disabilities to develop, attain and maintain maximum ability, independence and participation through the provision of habilitation and rehabilitation services and programmes.

UN CRPD article 27: Work and employment

Persons with disabilities have the right to work, including the right to work in an environment that is open, inclusive and accessible.

UN CRPD article 28: Adequate standard of living and social protection

Persons with disabilities have the right to an adequate standard of living including food, water, clothing and housing, and to effective social protection including poverty reduction and public housing programmes.

UN CRPD article 29: Participation in political and public life

Persons with disabilities have the right to participate in politics and in public affairs, as well as to vote and to be elected.

UN CRPD article 30: Participation in cultural life, recreation, leisure and sport

Persons with disabilities have the right to take part in cultural life on an equal basis with others, including access to cultural materials, performances and services, and to recreational, leisure and sporting activities.

UN CRPD article 31: Statistics and data collection

Countries must collect information about persons with disabilities, with the active involvement of persons with disabilities, so that they can

better understand the barriers they experience and make the Convention rights real.