

RIGHTS OF PERSONS WITH A DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITY ORC 5123.62

- 1) The right to be treated at all times with courtesy and respect and with full recognition of their dignity and individuality;
- 2) The right to an appropriate, safe, and sanitary living environment that complies with local, state, and federal standards and recognizes the persons' need for privacy and independence;
- 3) The right to food adequate to meet accepted standards of nutrition;
- 4) The right to practice the religion of their choice or to abstain from the practice of religion;
- 5) The right of timely access to appropriate medical or dental treatment;
- 6) The right of access to necessary ancillary services, including, but not limited to, occupational therapy, physical therapy, speech therapy, and behavior modification and other psychological services;
- 7) The right to receive appropriate care and treatment in the least intrusive manner;
- 8) The right to privacy, including both periods of privacy and places of privacy;
- 9) The right to communicate freely with persons of their choice in any reasonable manner they choose;
- 10) The right to ownership and use of personal possessions so as to maintain individuality and personal dignity;
- 11) The right to social interaction with members of either sex;
- 12) The right of access to opportunities that enable individuals to develop their full human potential;
- 13) The right to pursue vocational opportunities that will promote and enhance economic independence;
- 14) The right to be treated equally as citizens under the law;
- 15) The right to be free from emotional, psychological, and physical abuse;
- 16) The right to participate in appropriate programs of education, training, social development, and habilitation and in programs of reasonable recreation;
- 17) The right to participate in decisions that affect their lives;
- 18) The right to select a parent or advocate to act on their behalf;
- 19) The right to manage their personal financial affairs, based on individual ability to do so;
- 20) The right to confidential treatment of all information in their personal and medical records.
- 21) The right to voice grievances and recommend changes in policies and services without restraint, interference, coercion, discrimination, or reprisal;
- 22) The right to be free from unnecessary chemical or physical restraints;
- 23) The right to participate in the political process;
- 24) The right to refuse to participate in medical, psychological, or other research or experiments.