

# THE RIGHTS OF PEDIATRIC PATIENTS

The United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child outlines that all children have the following rights in hospitals:



Canada has ratified the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child.

1.

**The Right to Information**

(Articles 13, 17)

2.

**The Right to Be Heard and Participate in Shared Decisions**

(Articles 5, 12)

3.

**The Right to Play and Education**

(Articles 28, 31)

4.

**The Right to Medical Care**

(Articles 3, 24)

5.

**The Right to Pain Management and Comfort**

(Articles 6, 24)

6.

**The Right to Be with Parents or Guardians**

(Articles 3, 9)

7.

**The Right to Special Care for Children with Disabilities or Chronic Illnesses**

(Articles 23, 24)

8.

**The Right to Protection from Harm and Abuse**

(Articles 3, 19)

9.

**The Right to Privacy and Confidentiality**

(Articles 12, 16)

United Nations General Assembly (1989). *Convention on the Rights of the Child*.

United Nations, treaty series 1577(3), 1-23.

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