

Chapter 1:

A home

We asked people with learning disabilities what is important to them about home and family life. They said:

- Everyone should be able to choose where they live and who they live with.
- It's wrong that some people with learning disabilities are made to live in unsafe areas.
- They are worried more people with learning disabilities will be made to live in care homes and hospitals because of a lack of money.



UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (UNCRPD)

What people said they want from home and family life is similar to the basic rights outlined in Article 19 of the UNCRPD. It focuses on people with disabilities living independently and being included in the community.

We will use Article 19 to guide our work on improving home and family life.

There is easy read information on Human Rights **here**.



Next steps

1. People with learning disabilities, their families and carers, housing providers and social workers need to work together to make sure people with learning disabilities get the homes they want and need.
2. The Government needs to fund more homes that are right for people with learning disabilities; reduce social housing rental costs; ensure people with learning disabilities receive enough welfare support to live in their homes.
3. Local councils need to provide better housing options for people with learning disabilities and offer financial support to help them live good lives, be independent and feel more connected to their communities.
4. People with learning disabilities need to be provided with high-quality information and support to help them access housing that's right for them.

