
What are the rights of children with disabilities in developing and developed countries?

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What is it?

Dis·a·bil·i·ty (disə'bilədē/)

noun: **disability**; plural noun: **disabilities**

- ★ a physical or mental condition that limits a person's movements, senses, or activities.
- ★ a disadvantage or handicap, especially one imposed or recognized by the law.

Rights of People with Disabilities (Generally)

- ★ Approximately one billion people in the world are living with a disability
- ★ At least 93 million **children** with disabilities in the world
- ★ Individuals are less likely to attend school, have access medical services, or have their voices heard in society
- ★ **One of the most marginalized and excluded groups in society**

Children in Developing Countries

- ★ In a high risk of physical abuse, and are often excluded from receiving proper nutrition or humanitarian assistance in emergencies
- ★ Do not have any access to health care, rehabilitation, support, and assistance, education, or employment
- ★ Some mothers do not receive proper health care while they are pregnant and may cause future issues with their bodies and the unborn baby may be impacted as well which causes a chain of problems to occur throughout the generations of their families
- ★ Environmental hazards, natural disasters, dangerous working conditions, and civil conflict are also sources of injuries

Discrimination in Developing Countries

- ★ In some cultures, a disability is viewed as a curse or the result of witchcraft and therefore, leads to discrimination

AND / OR

- ★ Disabilities are not well-researched or defined in some developing nations, where they are treated as abnormal or something to fear

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Children in Developed Countries

- ★ Equity based approach towards children with disabilities and it is also stated that it is one of the solid foundations of their disability agenda
- ★ A quote was given by Stephen Hawking, “Governments throughout the world can no longer overlook the hundreds of millions of people with disabilities who... never get the chance to shine.”
- ★ The main goals of which are to mainstream disability across all policies and programs in both development and humanitarian action, as well as to develop leadership on the rights of children with disabilities

“When given access to their fundamental rights, disabled people can achieve the equality that enables them to make vital contributions to society, improving their lives and the lives of others.”



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