

Rights

Key Focus: Right to Health



Every child and young person has the right to health. This is set out in the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC). The right to health covers both physical and mental health. It means you should have access to good quality health care and information about your health.

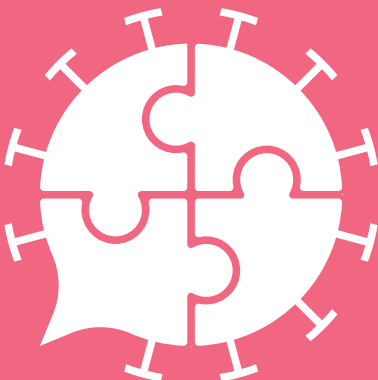
Good health is important for all children and young people. If you aren't healthy, then you might struggle to access other rights like education and play.

We think Brexit could impact our right to health, for example getting access to medicines that are made in the EU, or doctors and nurses from other countries who move to work here. We think it is important that politicians and countries work together to make sure the right to health is protected.

A lot of children and young people are worried about their family's health or are struggling with their own mental health right now because of Coronavirus.



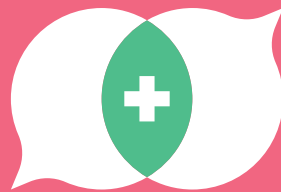
Character made by member of the Panel





What do we want?

- Politicians from the different parties should all work together to protect the right to health as a shared goal.
- People should have access to the medicines they need, including medicines that are made in the EU and medicines should remain free.
- Lots of health workers come from the EU. It is important that they feel welcome in the UK and valued.
- People with mental health issues should get the support they need.
- Children and young people should have access to information about their health, especially right now so we aren't so worried.



What are we doing?

We are contacting the Health and Sport Committee which is made up of members of the Scottish Parliament from all the different political parties. The Committee looks at policies the Scottish Government makes about health and tries to make them better. We want to share our views with the Committee.



We are contacting charities that offer important health support services. We are asking them how Brexit has affected them and the people they support.

