



J.W. MacIntosh Community Support Services

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CLIENT BILL OF RIGHTS

As a client you have the right to expect that every J.W. MacIntosh Community Support Services employee, Board member and contracted health service provider shall respect and promote your rights as follows:

1. **To be dealt in a respectful manner** and to be free from physical, sexual, mental, emotional, verbal and financial abuse by the service provider.
2. **To be dealt with in a manner that respects your dignity and privacy** and that promotes your autonomy and participation in decision-making.
3. **To be dealt with in a manner that recognizes your individuality** and that is sensitive to and responds to your needs and preferences, including preferences based on ethnic, spiritual, linguistic, familial and cultural factors.
4. **To receive services free from discrimination** as per the *Human Rights Code* or the *Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms*.
5. **A client who is First Nations, Métis or Inuk** has the right to receive services in a **culturally safe manner**.
6. **To receive clear information** about your home and community care services in a format that is accessible to you.
7. **To participate in the assessment/reassessment of your needs**, and the development and revision of your care plan.
8. **To designate a person to be present with you during assessments** and to participate in the development, evaluation and revision of your care plan.
9. **To receive assistance in coordinating your services.**
10. **To give or refuse consent** to the provision of any Community Support Service.
11. **To raise concerns or recommend changes** related to the services that you receive, and with policies and decisions that affect your interests, without fear of interference, coercion, discrimination or reprisal.
12. **To be informed of the laws, rules and policies** affecting the operation of the provider of the service, including this Bill of Rights, and to be informed, in writing, of the procedures for initiating complaints about the services you are receiving.