



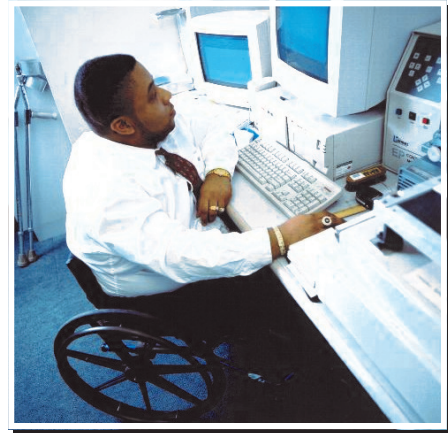
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The National Council for Persons with Physical Disabilities in South Africa

UN CONVENTION ON THE RIGHTS OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES, ARTICLE 8—AWARENESS RAISING

1. States Parties undertake to adopt immediate, effective and appropriate measures:

- a. To raise awareness throughout society, including at the family level, regarding persons with disabilities, and to foster respect for their rights and dignity;
- b. To combat stereotypes, prejudices and harmful practices relating to persons with disabilities, including those based on sex and age, in all areas of life;
- c. To promote awareness of the capabilities and contributions of persons with disabilities.



2. Measures to this end include:

- a. Initiating and maintaining effective public awareness campaigns designed:
 - ii. To nurture receptiveness to the rights of persons with disabilities
 - iii. To promote positive perceptions and greater social awareness towards persons with disabilities;
 - iv. To promote recognition of the skills, merits, abilities and contributions of persons with disabilities to the workplace and the labour market;
- b. Fostering at all levels of the education system, including in all children from an early age, an attitude of respect for the rights of persons with disabilities;
- c. Encouraging all organs of the media to portray persons with disabilities in a manner consistent with the purpose of the present Convention;
- d. Promoting awareness training programs regarding persons with disabilities and their rights.



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