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Disability Policy


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The 18 core concepts can be organized by three sets of principles: Constitutional principles (Life, Liberty, Equality), Ethical principles (Dignity, Family as Foundation, Community), and Administrative principles (Capacity, Individualization, Accountability). The framework created by these principles demonstrates the relationships between the core concepts and allows them to also be connected to field-specific professional principles such as those of health care professionals: Beneficence, Non-Malfeasance, Autonomy, and Justice. It also provides a conceptual basis for drawing connections among the core concepts, domains of partnership, and family quality of life outcomes.

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The following summarizes the major connections between the principles and core concepts which form the “ramp” framework in the article—

- The Constitutional principal of Life is related to the core concepts of:
  - Protection from harm
  - Prevention & amelioration

- The Constitutional principal of Liberty is related to the core concepts of:
  - Autonomy
  - Empowerment/participatory decision-making
  - Privacy & confidentiality
  - Liberty (physical)

- The Constitutional principal of Equality is related to the core concepts of:
  - Antidiscrimination
  - Cultural responsiveness

- The Ethical principal of Family as Foundation is related to the core concepts of:
  - Family integrity
  - Family centeredness

- The Ethical principal of Community is related to the core concepts of:
  - Integration

- Productivity & contribution

- The Administrative principal of Capacity is related to the core concepts of:
  - Professional & system capacity
  - Coordination & collaboration
  - Family integrity
  - Classification

- The Administrative principal of Individualization relates to the core concepts of:
  - Individualized and appropriate services
  - Capacity-based services
  - Classification
  - Cultural responsiveness
  - Coordination & collaboration
  - Family centeredness
  - Integration

- The Administrative principal of Accountability is related to the core concepts of:
  - Accountability
  - Coordination & collaboration

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RELATED PUBLICATIONS


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