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Q5: Do you think that human rights are properly protected in Queensland? Why/why not?

No, if there is no legislation that can protect human rights then the process for remedies is not available to all Queenslanders.

Q6: Do you support the introduction of a Human Rights Act in Queensland? Why/why not?

Yes, I would like to know that if there are breaches to Human Rights that there is a mechanism for voicing that breach and addressing the issue to regain dignity and respect.

Q7: Can you think of a situation from your life or someone else's life that shows why Queensland needs a Human Rights Act?

A young Aboriginal adult placed under a Forensic Disability Order (FDO) whilst in the care of Child Safety which stipulates that she must reside at address and must return to that address every night, she must be granted permission to visit her family and community by the Mental Health Unit of that town. For this young adult to be able to live in the town/community where all her family live another Mental Health Unit has to approve the transfer of the FDO into their jurisdiction only after the certain conditions have been met which involve a period of sustained good behaviours such not presenting in MHU for absconding (staying with family after contact visit has been completed, not offending i.e stealing glue or other items). The right to be with family and community, to feel connected to culture, to have the freedom to choose where to live is being denied by a systematic process which is hard to challenge as the young adult does have a limited comprehension of the legal system and rights due to mild intellectual impairments and trauma to challenge the FDO. What avenue is there if an advocate wanted to change the residency?

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Q8: Which rights should be protected?

Right to recognition and equality before the law,

Right to life, Protection of family and children,

Right to participate in public life,

Protection from torture and cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment

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Cultural rights of ethnic religious or linguistic minorities

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Freedom from forced work, Property rights,

Freedom of movement,

Right to liberty and security of person,

Privacy and reputation,

Humane treatment when deprived on liberty,

Freedom of thought, conscience, religion and belief,

Rights of the children in the criminal process,

Freedom of expression, Right to a fair hearing,

Peaceful assembly and freedom of association,

Protection of rights in criminal proceedings and against retrospective criminal law

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Right to housing, Right to education,

Right to adequate health care, Right to food,

Right to an adequate standard of living,

Right to safe, clean, healthy and sustainable environment

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Participation in cultural life