

PENTICTON AND DISTRICT SOCIETY FOR COMMUNITY LIVING

POLICY: VALUES STATEMENT

SERVICE AREA: ALL AREAS

APPLIES TO: ALL PERSONNEL, SERVICE RECIPIENTS, STUDENTS,
VISITORS AND VOLUNTEERS

PREAMBLE: This is a statement of values that we as an organization should aspire to in our daily work.

VALUES STATEMENT

WE believe each person:

1. Is a person first
2. Has personal preferences and interests to be safeguarded
3. Is entitled to be treated with equality and dignity, respecting his/her rights, needs and feelings
4. Is entitled to freedoms, rights, responsibilities and access
5. Is entitled to good health, medical and dental care
6. Is entitled to experience a normal level of exposure to a reasonable level of risk
7. Has the right to self-determination and support necessary to learn to make choices for his/her life
8. Has the right to a supportive network of personal relationships with family, friends, advocates and acquaintances
9. Has the right to live and work in a least restrictive environment; leading and/or participating in the decision making process
10. Has the right to live, work and participate in all aspects of community life acquiring interdependent and interconnecting relationships
11. Should be supported in and taught strategies to be their own self advocate
12. Has the right to expect that service providers will provide accountability of individualized care