



THE ICPCN DECLARATION OF CAPE TOWN 2009

Palliative care for children is a basic human right.

We believe that all children with life-threatening and life limiting conditions have the right to quality palliative care provided by trained health care practitioners. Holistic family-centred children's palliative care encompasses individualised assessment, pain and symptom management, psychosocial, spiritual and bereavement support.

As a community of palliative care practitioners we recognise that disparities exist within and between countries and services but collectively we are a rich resource of knowledge, skill and judgement and we commit to share all that we can to achieve this joint vision.

We commit both individually and collectively to identify opportunities for collaboration.