

# EQUITY, DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION

## *An example of higher education co-design in progressing the rights of children.*

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Patient and public Involvement is a requirement in planning and designing nursing & midwifery education (Nursing and Midwifery Council 2018). A novel example of involving children and Young People (C&YP) is offered. Child focussed education programmes should include the voice of C &Y P to progress the Rights of Children (ROC) (The Scottish Government 2018, 2021; United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child, 1989). This initiative has the potential to increase awareness of the ROC, improve practice and contribute to progressing the Human Rights of Children in Scotland's Government action plan so that upholding the ROC becomes the norm. The strengths of the initiative has been the co-design of child rights based teaching materials, enriched student and partner experience and the sharing of the process of the initiative UK wide thus raising the profile of the ROC and RGU. Limitations related to challenges of including children with a learning disability within the cohort. Children and young people have clear opinions and views when consulted in an inclusive age-appropriate way through rights-based participation.

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