Fort Erie Native Friendship Centre			
Section	Programs and Services		
Subject	Client's Rights and Responsibilities	Created	September 4, 2018
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POLICY STATEMENT:

It is an expectation that all employees consciously consider and work in a manner that is consistent in respecting the rights and responsibilities of clients and in compliance with Human Rights and the AODA.

DEFINITION:

Basic rules of conduct when interacting with clients of the FENCC in any capacity ensuring everyone is treated in compliance with the Values of FENCC (Policy Section 1-1.2) and the IT policy, and applicable laws.

Client's rights and responsibilities include:

- 1. To be treated with respect, dignity and courtesy regardless of age, disability, cultural background, gender, sexual orientation, socio-economic status and spiritual beliefs
- 2. To have your right to privacy and confidentiality protected within the limits of funding agreements and law including through electronic means including email, instant message, text etc.
- 3. To have fair and equal access to programs and service within the scope of program mandates
- 4. To have access to information regarding programs and services
- 5. To be involved in decisions with your personal plan of care and options available if applicable
- 6. To have the right to refuse/discontinue the use of programs and services at FENCC
- 7. You have the right to access your records by request in writing
- 8. You have the right to receive services that comply with appropriate standards of professionalism, competency and accountability

Client responsibilities include:

- 1. Respecting the rights of other clients and staff
- 2. Respecting other's rights to privacy and confidentiality
- 3. Treating other clients and staff in a respectful manner
- 4. Adhering to the Values of FENCC (Policy Section 1-1.2)
- 5. Ensuring that you are not under the influence of alcohol or non-prescribed drugs
- 6. Not behaving in a manner that which makes delivery of programs/services difficult or dangerous
- 7. Respecting FENCC property

Procedure:

- 1. Include during the intake process
- 2. Include in program brochures as applicable
- 3. Posted in various locations at FENCC
- 4. Include in program/service evaluations