**Meeting the needs of persons with disabilities in humanitarian emergencies**

1. **Promotion of IHL and other legal protections for persons with disabilities at relevant international meetings and fora, internationally and domestically, to uphold their rights as an integral part of effective humanitarian assistance;**
* NZRC supported and contributed to the NZ Government-sponsored resolution on Article 11 at the Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD) at the Human Rights Commission (HRC), March 2016.
* NZ Government made a statement at 34th Session of the Human Rights Council and hosted a side event in March 2017.
* NZ Government made statements at the CRPD Conference of States Parties, June 2016 and June 2017.
* NZ Government advocated to strengthen disability inclusion language in UN General Assembly and UN Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) resolutions during the 71st General Assembly.
1. **Internationally and domestically, programming for humanitarian assistance that acknowledges that people with disabilities may be disproportionately affected by disaster or other emergency, and that engages with the disability community and supports as appropriate existing disability support structures, working to ensure their continued resilience and services continuity in times of emergency;**
* NZRC has incorporated persons with a disability into programme planning guidance and training for community-led emergency resilience planning, a Recovery Matters handbook and Psychological First Aid programme.
* The NZ Government has endorsed a Charter on Inclusion of Persons with Disabilities in Humanitarian Action.
* NZ Government is developing a Monitoring & Evaluation framework for international responses.
* NZRC and NZ Government attended 6th Global Platform on Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) in Cancun, Mexico, May 2017.
* The NZ Government continues to provide support to the Framework for Resilient Development in the Pacific adopted at the 2016 Pacific Islands Forum.
1. **NZRC publication of a best practice guide or resource materials to help inform disaster response and recover related to disability sector, based in part on lessons learned from the Canterbury earthquake response.**
* A major evaluation of the NZRC Canterbury Earthquake Appeal and Recovery Programme has been completed and a process is underway to take the lessons learned and embed them in the organisation.