1. THE ROLE OF THE FAMILY IN THE PROTECTION OF THE CHILD

The family is the first space of affection, protection and education. When families fulfill their duties, they are guaranteeing the fundamental rights of children.
The CPCJ works with families to prevent risk/danger situations and promote the well-being of all children and young people.

📌 **The intervention takes place in coordination with the parents, in a spirit of cooperation.**

2. CHILDREN'S RIGHTSS

(Convention on the Rights of the Child – UN)

🧒 Right to education, health, affection and safety.

🏠 Right to live in a family that cares responsibly.

🗣️ Right to be heard and participate in decisions that concern them.

🛡️ Right to protection against neglect, mistreatment and abuse.

🔑 **It is up to parents to ensure that these rights are respected daily.**

3. DUTIES OF PARENTS AND GUARDIANS OF EDUCATION

🕗 Ensure school attendance and punctuality.

🏡 Provide a safe, affectionate, and structured environment.

📚Stimulate physical, emotional, and educational development.

❤️ Promote healthy habits and citizenship values.

🆘 Seek help in case of difficulties (emotional, economic, social...).

📣 Collaborate with the school, social services, or the CPCJ whenever necessary.

4. WHEN AND WHY CAN THE CPCJ INTERVENE?

The CPCJ intervenes **only when the rights of the child are at stake**, for example, in cases of:

- School abandonment or absenteeism.
- Neglect in terms of basic care.
- Exposure to domestic violence.
- Physical, psychological or sexual abuse.
- Lack of parental supervision or support.

5. HOW CAN PARENTS ASK FOR HELP?

- Talk to a teacher if you have difficulties.
- Seek help from health services, social security, or local organizations.
- Contact the Child Protection Commission (CPCJ) in your area of residence directly.

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