

Article 7

The prevention of mental ill health and care of those suffering from it requires cooperation between governmental and non-governmental health, science, and welfare systems, educational institutions – particularly universities, recognition of the initiatives of the intergovernmental system, the coordination of action, and the promotion of research as well as of diagnostic and treatment facilities at national, state and local levels. This must include the promotion and strengthening of voluntary mental

health associations, recognition and encouragement of ex-patients and self-help groups, and the promotion of collaboration between members of the various professions, volunteers and consumer groups.

Article 8

Nothing in this Declaration may be interpreted as implying for any State, group or person any right to espouse any belief or engage in any activity leading to the destruction of any of the rights or freedoms set forth herein.