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Development of inclusive education in Ukraine

The Law of Ukraine "On protection of childhood", Orders of the President of Ukraine, Resolutions of the Government of Ukraine determine the priority tasks in implementation of inclusive and integrated education.

The major goal of the process is an elaboration of a new concept of the state policy concerning the inclusive education.

The priority tasks are following:

- support the UNESCO decisions and resolutions in the field of social inclusion for all children;
- The legislation approaching to the UNO Convention on child rights in the field of inclusive education;
- Realization of the model of inclusive and integrated education at schools, starting at pre-school level;
- Develop a common education area, approaching the system of education to the needs of a child, family;
- Ensure the access for children with special needs to the educational institutions, take under control the necessity to meet the needs of those children within the construction/reconstruction of school premises;
- Elaboration of regional programs directed to provide the accessibility of education, social rehabilitation, professional training of children with special needs from early age;
- Implementation of innovative and democratic approaches in organization of educational process and further integration of children with special needs into the society;
- Development of the IT and distant learning to provide the equal access to quality education.

Ukraine is ready to cooperate with other countries on inclusive education problems.