



## 1.1.18 Child and youth services and cultural diversity

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German society can be described as extremely **divergent (unequal) with respect to living circumstances and very diverse** as regards the ethnic, cultural, material, religious or educational backgrounds of young people and their families.

This therefore requires child and youth services to

- consider the wide variety of living circumstances and backgrounds of young people and their parents and identify all different educational, funding and support needs,
- develop and provide accordingly nuanced services for children, adolescents, young adults and their families,
- ensure access to these services for people from different sections of the population and to this end work towards structural integration, including with the organisations providing child and youth services.

**Actively combating all forms of racism and exclusion is a fundamental task common to all areas of child and youth services.**