



We asked people about the disability health strategy

ACT Government



Easy English

Hard words



This book has some hard words.

The first time we write a hard word

- the word is in **blue**

- we write what the hard word means.

You can get help with this book



You can get someone to help you

- read this book

- know what this book is about

- find more information.

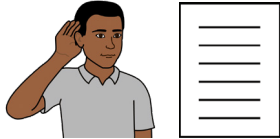


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About this book



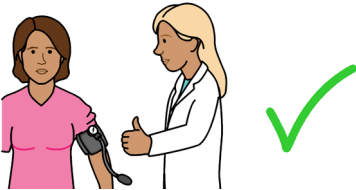
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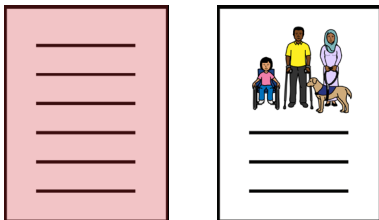
This book is about our **listening report**.



Our listening report says what people told us about our **disability health strategy**.



Our disability health strategy says how we want to help people with disability in the ACT have good health.



We call it the **strategy**.

We will use what people told us to change the strategy.



When we change the strategy you can tell us what you think.

We asked people what we should add to the strategy



We should say

- what we will do first



- how we will make sure we do what the strategy says.



We should explain what hard words mean.



For example we should tell you about different ways to think about disability.



We should also tell you how the strategy works with the **NDIS**.



The NDIS gives some people with disability the supports they need.



In the strategy we should also talk about

- what carers need



- how we will work with people with disability



- how we can support people from different groups.



Different groups might mean

- people who do **not** speak English

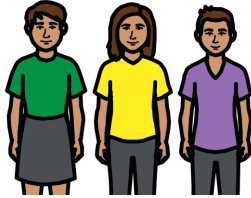


- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.



We should also add information to the strategy about

- women with disability



- people of all **genders**.



Your gender can be

- man



- woman



- **not** man or woman



- something else.

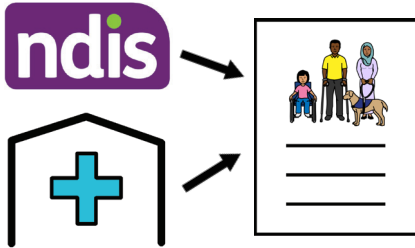


We should also talk about disability support workers in the strategy.

How we should write the strategy

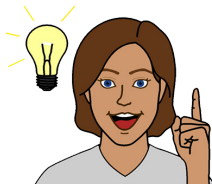


We should make sure the strategy is easy to read.



We should make sure the strategy says

- how parts of the health system can work together



- how we can make the health system better.

What we should do in the future



People want us to use **interpreters**.



Interpreters are people who can

- speak your language



- help you tell us what you want to say.



People also want a person with disability to be in charge of the **disability health reference group**.

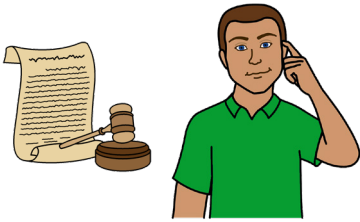


The disability health reference group will help make sure that health services are

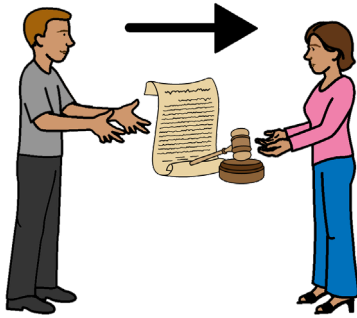
- safe for people with disability



- good for people with disability.



People want to make sure that health staff understand **rights**.

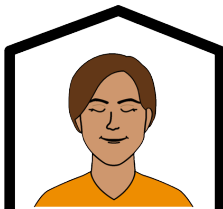


Rights are things that everyone should be able to

- have

- get

- do.



For example everyone has the right to feel safe when they use health services.

More information



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