



Disability Health Reference Group

Expression of Interest

Easy English



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About this document



This document is made by the ACT Government.

This document 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 document



You can get someone to help you

- read this document
- know what this document is about
- find more information.

The Disability Health Reference Group



The ACT Government wants to make sure that the health system works well for people with disability.



We want to listen to

- people with disability
- carers of people with disability.



We want people with disability to help us understand what they need from the health system.



To do this we are making a **Disability Health Reference Group**.

We will call it **the group**.

People can apply to be a member of the group.

What the group will do



The group will give advice and ideas about disability and health in the ACT.



The group will review work on **ACT Government health strategies and plans.**

ACT Government health strategies and plans include

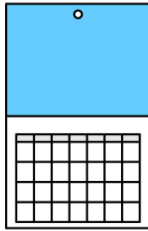


- the Disability Health Strategy 2024-2033



- the Disability Action and Inclusion Plan 2022-2025
- other reports and evaluations.

Group meetings



The group will meet every 2 months.



There will be 5 meetings every year.



Meetings will go for 2 hours.

Who can be a member of the group

You can apply to be a member of the group if you are



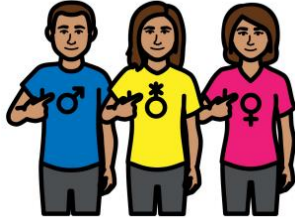
- a person with disability
- or
- a carer of a person with disability.

To be in the group you need



- to be over the age of 18
- and
- to live or work or volunteer or study in the ACT.

We want lots of different people to be involved in the group including



- people of all genders



- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples



- people who are from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds



- people who are LGBTIQ+.

What members need to do



Members of the group need to go to all meetings and join in discussions.



Members need to read all papers for meetings.



Members need to get feedback and information from other people in their community.

Members also need to



- be kind
- work together
- find good ways to solve problems.

Payment

Members of the group will be paid for going to meetings.

We will make an agreement with members about how much money they will be paid.

Apply to join the group

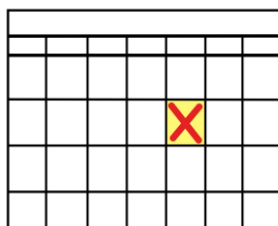


You need to apply if you want to join the group.



To apply you have to answer 3 questions.

1. Why do you want to be a member of the group?
2. What information can you bring to the group?
3. What experience do you have in supporting people with disability in the health system?



You need to give us your application before 5pm Monday 6 May 2024.

How to send your application

To give us your application you can



- write your answers and email them to acthdisabilityandcommunity@act.gov.au

or



make a time to meet with the Disability and Community Policy team to talk about your answers

or



- make a short video with your answers to the questions and email it to acthdisabilityandcommunity@act.gov.au

Getting help

If you have questions or need help to apply contact the Disability and Community Policy team.



- Phone 02 5124 9355



- Email

acthdisabilityandcommunity@act.gov.au

More information



- Website

<https://www.health.act.gov.au/about-our-health-system/planning-future/act-disability-health-strategy>



- Email

acthdisabilityandcommunity@act.gov.au



- Phone

02 5124 9355



- If you need help to speak or listen, use the National Relay Service or NRS.

Call 1800 555 660

Go to the NRS website

www.communications.gov.au/accesshub/nrs



- If you do not speak English

Use the free Translating and Interpreting Service or TIS.

Call 131 450

Give the TIS officer the phone number you want to call.

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