

COVID-19 recovery plan for people with disability

Federal Election 2022



This plan was made by these organisations:



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Australian Federation of Disability Organisations (AFDO)



Children and Young People with Disability Australia

Children and Young People with Disability Australia (CYDA)



First Peoples Disability Network Australia

First Peoples Disability Network Australia (FPDN)



Inclusion Australia

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DANA Disability Advocacy Network Australia

Disability Advocacy Network Australia (DANA)



National Ethnic Disability Alliance (NEDA)



PEOPLE WITH DISABILITY AUSTRALIA

People with Disability Australia (PWDA)



Women With Disabilities Australia
(WWDA)

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About this Plan



This is a plan about what needs to happen for people with disability in Australia after COVID-19.



Disability organisations from around Australia worked together to make this plan.

People with disability and their families talked about the COVID-19 pandemic.



People with disability said they felt forgotten during COVID-19.



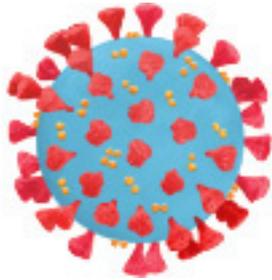
COVID-19 has made many issues worse for people with disability.

Things were very difficult for First People with disability, migrants and refugees, and people who live and work in groups.



Many people with disability said they felt afraid or alone.

Lots of people with disability have been very sick from COVID. Sadly, many people with disability have died.



Some people say the pandemic has finished, but COVID-19 is still in the community.



Many people with disability are upset that people have stopped using masks and other things that help keep people safe.



We have made this plan, which has lots of ideas about how to make things better for people with disability.



There will be a Federal Election on 21 May 2022.

We want all political parties in the Election to put the plan into action.



We want the next Australian Government to do more to support people with disability to recover from the last two years.

Health



We want more support for people with disability from the Australian Government, doctors, and other health services.



There should be rules that make sure people with disability get fair treatment if they get COVID-19.



First People with disability need extra help so they get help if they have COVID-19.



People with disability need free access to PPE and other things to stay safe. That includes masks, COVID testing kits, and vaccines.



People who are sick for a long time after getting COVID should get special healthcare.

Accessible information



We want all information about COVID-19 to be easy to understand.



There should be information in different languages.



We want more information in Auslan.



We want more information in Easy Read.

Disability services



We want all disability services to keep going in emergencies, such as during COVID-19.



The NDIS should support people to be safe and get good support, even when there is an emergency.



Disability advocacy services need more money to help people with disability.

Education and employment



We need a plan to make sure students with disability are included in education.



People with disability should be able to work and learn online if they want to.

Disadvantage and poverty



We think people with disability who get the Disability Support Pension should get more money.



People with disability should be able to get healthy food.



First People with disability need urgent help to make sure they have somewhere good and safe to live.



People with disability on temporary visas need help with finding work and a place to live.

Preventing violence



We want a plan to close places where people with disability are isolated from the community.



We want the NDIS Quality and Safeguards Commission to do more to keep people safe.

Data and research



We want information about what happened to people with disability during COVID-19 to be collected and published.



There needs to be research about what happened to people with disability during COVID-19.

People isolated from the community



We want the Government to give money to help people with disability who live alone or have no friends or family.



People with disability who live or work with lots of other people need vaccines and boosters.

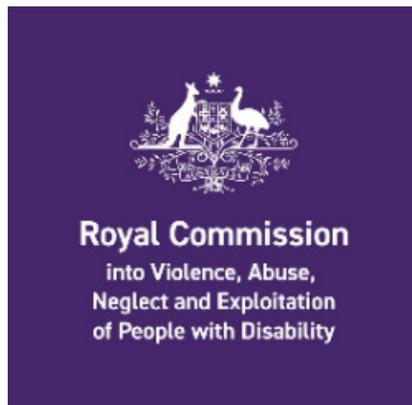


We want a plan to manage COVID in places like group homes and prisons.



Disability advocacy services need more money to visit and help people with disability.

Disability Royal Commission



COVID-19 has stopped the Disability Royal Commission from doing some of their work.



It is important people with disability have enough time to tell their stories.



We want the Disability Royal Commission to go until 2024 so they can finish all their work properly.

