



# We are reviewing the Disability Inclusion Act 2014

Other reviews and changes taking place in NSW

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## How to use this document



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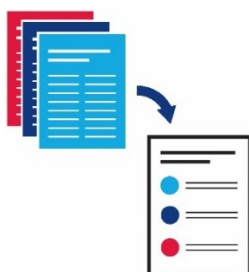
When you see the words 'we' or 'us', it means the Department of Communities and Justice (DCJ).



This document is written in an easy to read way. We use pictures to explain some ideas.



We have written some words in **bold**. We explain what these words mean. There is a list of these words on page 16.



This Easy Read document is a summary of another document.



You can find the other document on the [DCJ website](#).



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## What's this document about?



At the moment, we are reviewing the *Disability Inclusion Act 2014 (NSW)*.

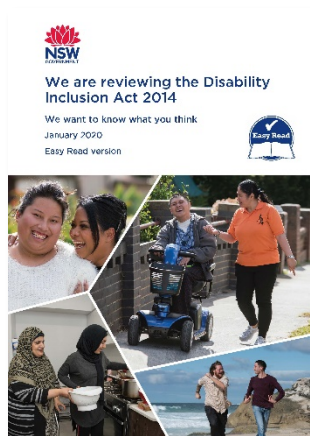
In this document we call it the Act.



The Act is an important law about the way people with disability are treated in NSW.



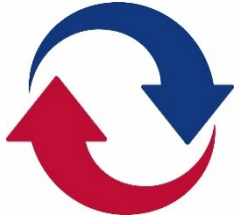
While we are reviewing this law, there are other reviews and changes taking place as well. This document explains that work.



If you would like to know more about the review of the Act, please read the full document called:

*We are reviewing the Disability Inclusion Act 2014*

*We want to know what you think*



That document explains the changes that are taking place.



And it explains how you can share your thoughts with us.



You can find the document on the [DCJ website](#).

## The NSW Ageing and Disability Commission



We now have the NSW Ageing and Disability Commission.



This is an organisation that protects:

- adults with disability
- older people.



The Commission makes sure adults with disability and older people are safe when they are in:

- their homes
- the community.

## Review of disability advocacy

The NSW Ageing and Disability Commission reviewed disability **advocacy** across NSW.



Advocacy is when someone:

- supports you
- speaks up for you if you can't speak up for yourself.

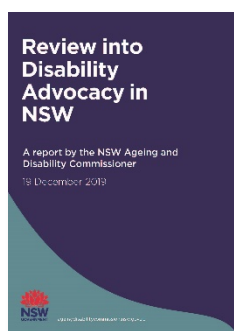
The review looked at:



- where the money for disability advocacy comes from



- how disability advocacy services are delivered.



The Ageing and Disability Commission has recently published a report about advocacy in NSW.



You can read the report on [their website](#).

## Jobs in the NSW public sector



Our **economy** is the total amount of goods, services and money that Australia makes and uses.

People with disability can take part in our economy by:



- working



- earning money.



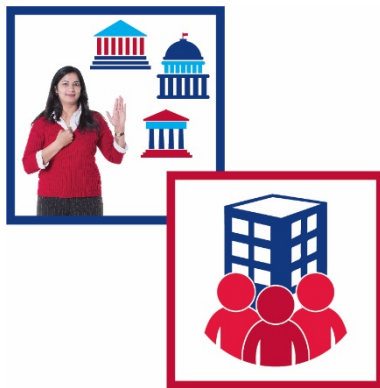
But people with disability face barriers that stop them from taking part in our economy.





We are creating opportunities for people with disability to work in the NSW **public sector**.

The NSW public sector is made up of:



- NSW Government departments
- organisations made by the NSW Government to help people in the community.



Our goal is to have people with disability in 5.6% of the jobs in the NSW public sector by 2025.

## Restrictive practices

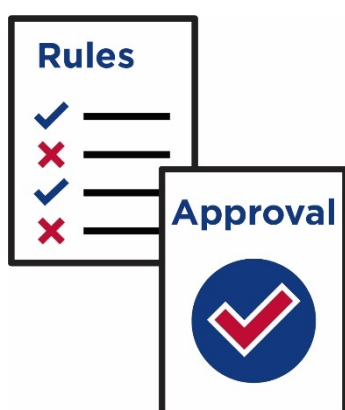


**Restrictive practices** are ways to stop someone from hurting themselves or others.



It is our job to make sure NDIS service providers who need to use restrictive practices:

- follow the rules
- have the right approvals.



We have written information for NDIS service providers that explains:

- what the rules are
- how to get approval.

## The NDIS in NSW



The NDIS pays for supports and services for people with disability.



The NDIS watches over the quality and safety of supports and services for people with disability.

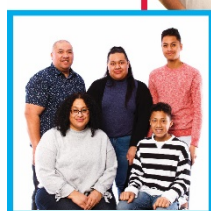


The NDIS has been running across all of NSW since July 2018.

## Information Linkages and Capacity Building



Information Linkages and Capacity Building (ILC) is part of the NDIS.



ILC gives **grants** to organisations and groups that can do good things in their community for:

- people with disability
- families
- carers.



A grant is money from the government for important work that can help others.



ILC is about connecting people with disability with the communities they live in.



ILC is creating positive change in the community in NSW.



# Royal Commission into Violence, Abuse, Neglect and Exploitation of People with Disability



A **Royal Commission** is an official way of looking into a big problem.



It helps us to work out what went wrong and what we need to fix.

We need a Royal Commission because we know that people with disability experience:



- violence
- abuse
- neglect
- exploitation.



We need to work out the best ways to stop people with disability experiencing violence, abuse, neglect and exploitation.



The Royal Commission has started looking into these problems.

## National Disability Strategy

The National Disability Strategy is a 10-year plan for all of Australia about making life better for:



- people with disability
- carers
- families.



In 2020, the Strategy will end.



Some things in the Strategy have worked well.



There are other things in the Strategy that we could do better.



Governments across Australia are working together to develop a new strategy.



You will be given a chance to have your say about the new Strategy.

## Word List



### **Advocacy**

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- supports you
- speaks up for you if you can't speak up for yourself.



### **Economy**

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### **Grant**

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## Public sector

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## Restrictive practices

Ways to stop someone from hurting themselves or others.



## Royal Commission

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## More information

Please contact us if you would like more information about the review of the Act.



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