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NSW agrees to a full roll out National Disability Insurance Scheme

The Australian and New South Wales governments have reached an historic agreement that will allow for the full roll out of a National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) in New South Wales by July 2018.

The agreement will provide care and support to around 140,000 NSW residents with significant disability, and provide coverage in the event of disability to around one third of the Australian population. It will provide peace of mind to people with a disability, their families and carers, and to the Australians who will unexpectedly face misfortune in the future. It will give people with disability choice and control over the care and support they receive, rather than exposing them to the cruel lottery that currently exists, where care depends on a range of unpredictable factors.

Under the agreement reached:

- The Commonwealth will provide 51.4 per cent of the funding for the full scheme in New South Wales, to cover the costs of care and support to people with disability, general supports for people with disability, their families and carers, and the administration costs for the scheme.
- New South Wales will contribute 48.6 per cent of the funding for the full scheme in their state, which will go to the cost of individual packages and other supports for people with disability, their carers and their families.
- This agreement means that in 2018, governments will be investing more than \$6 billion a year in care and support for people with disability in New South Wales.

The announcement builds on the Australian Government's commitment to launch the NDIS in five sites across the country from mid next year. In New South Wales, we will launch in the Hunter from mid-2013. From 2016 we will roll the scheme out to more people across the state and by mid-2018, all eligible people with disabilities in NSW will be supported by the NDIS.

The agreement is a huge achievement – and a credit to the many campaigners in the disability sector who have fought so hard for so long for this historic reform.

Thank you again for your support and the important contributions you have made to the development of the NDIS.

We look forward to working with the states and territories to secure agreements for a full national scheme. Only then can we end the cruel lottery for people with disability and give them choice and control over the care and support they receive.

For more information on the announcement please visit www.ndis.gov.au

NDIS Draft Legislation

The Australian Government has introduced the [draft National Disability Insurance Scheme \(NDIS\) Bill](#) into Parliament.

The Bill creates the framework for a national scheme, including eligibility criteria, age requirements, and what constitutes reasonable and necessary support. The Bill has been shaped by what we have heard from people with disability, their families, carers and disability organisations across Australia. State and Territory Ministers have also provided feedback on the Bill.

An NDIS will ensure people with disability, wherever they live, receive care and support based on their needs, and have choice and control over this support. When the Bill is introduced to the Parliament, the Government will ask the Parliament to refer the legislation to a Parliamentary Committee for consideration. During this time, the Commonwealth will continue to work with states and territories on the legislation, and consult with people with disabilities, their families and carers on the detail of the Bill, to ensure that they can continue to provide feedback about this important reform. People with disability, their families, carers and advocates will also have an opportunity to comment on the Bill on the [Your Say forum](#) on the NDIS website.

To find out more:

- [Legislation overview - Accessible Word Doc \[3.5mb\]](#)
- [Legislation overview - PDF \[346kb\]](#)
- [Draft legislation – Accessible Word Doc \[360kb\]](#)
- [Draft legislation - Accessible PDF \[515kb\]](#)
- [Media Release – Public release on NDIS Draft Legislation](#)

Featured Conference

11 – 12 February 2013

National Disability Services NSW 2013 State Conference.

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<http://www.nds.org.au/events/1348556049>

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Disability News

National Report Card on Mental Health Services

A Contributing Life: The 2012 National Report Card on Mental Health and Suicide Prevention. The first annual report card of the National Mental Health Commission has been released.

THE Mental Health Association stated they welcome this report and its findings and recommendations, such as:

1. Mental health must be a high priority for all governments and the community.
2. We need to provide 'a complete picture' of what is happening and closely monitor and evaluate change.
3. We need to agree on the best ways to encourage improvement and get better results.
4. We need to analyse where the gaps and barriers are to achieve a contributing life and agree on Australia's direction.

Building on those four planks, the Commission has made 10 recommendations to achieve their visions. MHA will assist the Commission to achieve those goals.

[Download a full copy of the report.](#)

Disability Employment Service Employment Support Service tender results announcement

Hon Kate Ellis MP, Minister for Employment Participation, announced the results of the Request for Tender for Disability Employment Services Employment Support Service 2013–2018.

The Disability Employment Service Employment Support Service 2013-2018 will commence on 4 March 2013.

Disability Employment Services – Employment Support Service 2013-2018 Tender Results **by Employment Service Area** (ESA) ([PDF 449KB](#) | [DOCX 62KB](#))

Organisations providing Disability Employment Services – Employment Support Service from 4 March 2013 ([PDF 554KB](#) | [DOCX 74KB](#))

Disability Issues In The Media

Stevie Wonder performs at UN Headquarters and promotes HLMD2013

Stevie Wonder, the international award-winning artist and humanitarian, along with other renowned musicians, performed in a concert in a UN General Assembly Hall full of enthusiastic UN staff, members of the diplomatic community and guests, in observance of UN Day, observed annually on 24 October. The date marks the anniversary of the entry into force of the UN Charter in 1945. During his opening remarks Mr. Wonder called for support for next year's High-level meeting of the General Assembly on disability and development (HLMD) at the level of Heads of State and Governments. He said that the meeting provided a historic opportunity to create change and get closer to the goal of a society without barriers that includes the full and equal participation of persons with disabilities.

www.un.org/apps/news/story.asp?NewsID=43382&Cr=un+day&Cr1

Featured Organisation

Fragile X Association

Fragile X is the Fragile X Syndrome is the most common cause of inherited intellectual disability and the most common single gene cause of autism. Fragile X is found in all races and at all socio-economic levels. Latest statistics indicate 1 in 280 males and 1 in 125 females are carriers. Every week in Australia one child is born who is fully affected and twelve children are born who are carriers. Despite this we find that many people are not aware of Fragile X. The Association works to increase awareness and understanding of Fragile X as well as providing clinics, information, counselling and support for people with Fragile X and their families.

<http://www.fragilex.org.au>

- [Fragile What?](#) Brochure produced by the Fragile X Association of Australia
- [Fragile X Fact Sheet](#) by Dr Michael Field & Professor Kim Cornish

GLOBAL – Australian Work Visa Sponsorship

for experienced overseas trained professionals in disability and nursing.

Global has been granted a pre-approved 'Labour Hire Agreement' for the sponsorship of overseas professionals in disability and nursing for 457 work visa for Australia. This approval of Global from the Australian Department of Immigration & Citizenship and the Department of Workplace Relations allows for experienced disability professionals to experience work, travel and life in Australia for up to four years. Global is also a participant in the Employers Nomination Scheme supporting residency applications.

More information available at <http://www.globalcaresstaff.com/page/immigration.html>

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Improving Employment Participation of People with Disability

Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations Bill Shorten's discussion paper called "**Improving Employment Participation of People with Disability.**"

The discussion paper canvasses public views on how to best achieve reform, including how to:

- promote and improve equality for people with disability in employment and in the workplace
- support employers to identify and remove barriers to the full and equal participation of people with disability in the workforce, in recognition of the disadvantaged position of people with disability in relation to employment matters
- promote among employers the elimination of discrimination on the basis of a person's disability
- foster workplace consultation between employers and employees on issues concerning people with disability in employment and in the workplace
- improve the productivity and competitiveness of Australian business through the advancement of people with disability in the workplace.

Interested parties are invited to comment on the discussion paper by providing a written submission. **Closing date for submissions: 5.00 pm (Canberra Time) 15 February 2013.**

Submissions may be lodged electronically or by post – electronic lodgement is preferred. For accessibility reasons, submissions are to be sent via email in a Word or RTF format. An additional PDF version may also be submitted.

More information is available at the following link:

<http://deewr.gov.au/Employment/ResearchStatistics/Pages/Changingemployerattitudestowardspeoplewithdisability.aspx>

Launch of the National Disability Strategy NSW Implementation Plan 2012 – 2014

The Minister for Disability Services Andrew Constance launched the *National Disability Strategy NSW Implementation Plan 2012 – 2014*. This is the first whole-of-government plan outlining NSW's commitment to removing structural and attitudinal barriers to access and participation that impact on the lives of people with disability. It complements the reforms to the specialist disability system through *Stronger Together* and the National Disability Insurance Scheme.

The NSW Plan focuses on improving access to mainstream services so people with disability can enjoy equal rights and opportunities including access to education, entertainment, health, recreation, transport and housing. A NSW NDS Interagency Implementation Committee will oversee implementation of the plan. Program reports will be made public.

The plan is available as a HTML site, tagged PDF and large print format on www.adhc.nsw.gov.au/nds

National Disability Strategy

The National Disability Strategy (NDS) is a ten year national plan (2010-2020) for improving the life experiences of Australians with a disability, their families and carers. It seeks to foster an inclusive society that enables people with a disability to fulfil their potential as equal citizens. It was endorsed by the Council of Australian Governments in February 2011.

The NDS draws on the findings of extensive consultation reported in [Shut Out: The Experience of People with Disabilities and their Families in Australia \(2009\)](#). All levels of government were involved in the development of the NDS.

The NDS will help ensure that the principles underpinning the [United Nations Convention on the Rights of Person with Disabilities](#), ratified by Australia in 2008, are fulfilled.

Scholarships for students with a physical disability

The Gregory and Dolores Farrell 2013 Scholarships for students with a physical disability who use a wheelchair for mobility are now open for application. The scholarships assist with the costs of undertaking university studies up to the value of \$5,000.

Applications must be lodged by the close of business on 8 February 2013

and can be emailed to elizabethm@northcott.com.au or posted to The Gregory and Dolores Farrell Scholarships Committee, c/- Northcott, PO Box 4055, Parramatta NSW 2124. More information is available at spinecare.org.au/tertiary_scholarships or by contacting Elizabeth Mead on email elizabethm@northcott.com.au or (02) 9890 0135.

During the year check out new scholarship and fellowship announcements at our web page http://www.globalcarestaff.com/page/scholarship_guide.html

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Younger Onset Dementia Research

Younger onset dementia occurs before the age of 65. One estimate is that there are approximately 5,265 people under 65 years with dementia in NSW¹.

ADHC engaged Alzheimer's Australia NSW to research the service and support requirements of people with younger onset dementia and their families in NSW. Alzheimer's Australia NSW partnered with the Social Policy Research Centre and Uniting Care Ageing to conduct the research.

To download a copy of the full report visit the ADHC website at

http://www.adhc.nsw.gov.au/_data/assets/file/0010/262396/YOD_Report_WEB_2012.pdf

NSW Government Delivers Free Photo Id For Seniors And Carers

Minister for Ageing and Disability Services Andrew Constance and Minister for Roads Duncan Gay today announced that photo identification cards are now free to the State's seniors and carers. "We have delivered on another important election commitment for the State's seniors," Mr Constance said. "During the 2011 election campaign, the NSW Liberals & Nationals pledged we would provide this important cost saving to seniors. "In recognition of the important role carers play in our community, the NSW Government has also decided free NSW Photo Cards should be made available to carers – going beyond the commitment made at the election. "I hope this saving will ease the cost of living burden on the State's seniors and carers – they sure deserve it."

Mr Gay explained the free card is available only to eligible seniors and carers who do not have a NSW driver's licence. "This concession means 200,000 NSW residents on a Centrelink carers allowance or those with a NSW Seniors Card are now eligible to receive a NSW Photo Card free of charge," Mr Gay said. "We understand our seniors are doing it tough with Labor's carbon tax adding consideration pressure to power bills."

Chief Executive Officer of Council on the Ageing NSW Ian Day welcomed the announcement and said it will help seniors and carers to be engaged in their local communities. "It's pleasing to see that a number of government departments have worked together to successfully deliver this free ID card," Mr Day said. "Any measure that helps older people continue to play an active role in their communities is to be applauded."

The card previously cost \$48 for five years. Eligible carers and Seniors Card holders may apply for their free Photo Card at any Roads and Maritime Services registry. It is expected to cost the NSW Government around \$1 million over five years.

Policies & Guidelines

Guidelines for Facilitating the Career Development of Young People with Disability

Working on behalf of the Career Industry Council of Australia (CICA) Miles Morgan developed a set of Guidelines for Facilitating the Career Development of Young People (15-25) with Disability. The Guidelines were developed following consultation with select stakeholders in the career development and disability services fields, a review of relevant literature covering Australian and international best practice and feedback from over 250 practitioners received via an online survey. Phase two of the project saw the Guidelines trialled and workshopped with professionals from a range of backgrounds. Trial participants included a disability employment agency, a special education school and the career service and disability support service areas of a large VET institution. Trial participants found them relatively simple to apply and that they assisted them to reflect upon and, where necessary, make changes to their practices to help young people with disability to develop their careers. [Click here to download a free copy of the Guidelines.](#)

Work Health Safety Resources

Significant WHS legislation changes were introduced January 1 2012. NDS Disability Safe conducted a number of workshops to provide advice to the sector on the changes.

To assist disability service providers to comply with the new requirements, a number of new resources and further workshops have been developed by Disability Safe. The Disability Safe [website](#) has been updated to reflect these changes.

Is your WHS system up to date and compliant with the new legislation? A [checklist](#) has been developed for members which may assist you to review your WHS management system. It has links to resources which will give you more information in specific areas.

New factsheets have been uploaded, on topics including First Aid, Residual Current Devices and Fire Safety are also available from the Disability Safe [website](#).

Directories Online

FIND MENTAL HEALTH & WELFARE RELATED SERVICES

The Way Ahead directory contains up-to-date information on over **3000 mental health and welfare related services** across NSW.

A trial version of the Way Ahead directory is now available online, free of charge at www.wayahead.org.au

As a result of this change - the directory is no longer available as a printed book.

The Way Ahead directory is a valuable, time saving resource for any community worker in health practitioner needing to make referrals, or to 'simply know what's out there'. It is used by staff at the Mental Health Information Service on a daily basis to assist the general public, professionals and service providers.

The Way Ahead also includes:

- a helpful guide to acronyms and jargon
- details of the important Acts of Parliament that mental health workers, consumers and carers need to be aware of

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Books & Publications

Educating Boys with Fragile X Syndrome – A Guide for Parents and Professionals

Gail A Spiridigliozzi, Ave M Lachiewicz, Cynthia S MacMurdo, Andrea D Vizoso, Constance M O'Donnell, Allyn McConkie-Rosell and Debra J Burgess, Child Development Unit, Duke University Medical Centre. (Recommended for primary teachers and families)

This excellent booklet provides information and ideas to parents, educators and therapists who work with boys with fragile X syndrome. It is of great value in the initial development of an appropriated education program for children with fragile X syndrome. *Available from the [Fragile X Alliance Inc](http://www.fragilexallianceinc.com) for \$16.50*

[Books to Buy from Fragile X Alliance Inc – Details and Order Form](#)

Housing assistance in Australia 2012

This report looks at housing assistance in the government, not-for-profit and private sector segments in Australia in 2011-12. It examines allocation and waiting lists for social housing, overcrowding and housing affordability, and demonstrates that while the number of social housing dwellings has increased in recent years, this increase has been exceeded by the number of households spending more than 30% of their income on housing. Between 59% and 75% of all housing allocations are provided to people who are homeless, whose life or safety is at risk in their accommodation, whose condition is aggravated by their housing, or who has very high rental costs. AIHW catalogue number (HOU 266). View the [media release](#) and download the [full report](#) for free online.

National Workforce Development Fund funding available

If you have an idea for a workforce development project, we can help. CS&HISC assists organisations to ensure your project fits within the National Workforce Development Fund (NWDF) program guidelines. NWDF is a rolling program with funding available now.

More: [NWDF: a simple guide](#)

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Our Community - Community Funding Centre provides free help sheets, services, newsletters, books and training to help community groups improve their fundraising abilities and become healthier and more viable. http://www.ourcommunity.com.au/funding/funding_main.jsp

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Research & Demographic Reports

Dementia in Australia

In 2011, there were an estimated 298,000 people with dementia. This number is expected to increase markedly over time, with projections suggesting it will reach around 400,000 by 2020 and 900,000 by 2050. Dementia is a leading cause of death, accounting for 6% of all deaths in 2010. Total direct health and aged care services expenditure on people with dementia was at least \$4.9 billion in 2009-10. AIHW catalogue number (AGE 70). Download the free [full report](#), and [media release](#).

Changes in life expectancy and disability in Australia 1998 to 2009

This report shows that older Australians are living longer and, on average, getting more years of life without severe or profound limitation in basic daily activities. On the other hand, the ageing of the Australian population and increasing longevity are leading to a greater number of older people with disability and severe or profound activity limitation. AIHW catalogue number (AUS 166). View the [media release](#) and download the [full report](#) for free online.

[Novel Technology for Fragile X Population Screening](#) – Dr David Godler, Dr Howard Slater, Dr David Amor, Dr Danuta Loesch

Dementia Prevalence & Incidence among Australians who do not speak English at home.

Funded by Lundbeck Australia, this report estimates the number of people with dementia in culturally and linguistically diverse (CALD) communities and from Indigenous communities – and predicts how these numbers will grow by the year 2050. [Dementia Prevalence & Incidence among Australians who do not speak English at home November 2006 \(PDF\)](#)

Research Resource: [Washington Group on Disability Statistics](#)

Featured Course

DISABILITY WORK & AGED CARE CERTIFICATE COURSES

Various providers – many have intakes in January and courses commence in February – check out our web page for links at http://www.globalcaresstaff.com/page/certificate_course_guide.html

ONLINE EDUCATION DIRECTORY

Online professional development is an easy way to access further education – especially valuable for shift workers – so we have researched some options and put them on our web site at http://www.globalcaresstaff.com/page/online_education.html

Education Resources

New DVD Presents Accommodation Options For People With Disability

Minister for Disability Services Andrew Constance launched a set of communication resources to highlight the accommodation support options available to people with disability in NSW.

The Accommodation Support Options DVD is a collection of stories about people with disability who are accessing a range of accommodation funded by Ageing, Disability and Home Care (ADHC) and operated by both ADHC and the non-government sector. The stories highlight the various support options that are available and how different individuals, with a range of ages, disability support needs and personal situations are currently using them.

Along with the DVD, an updated Accommodation Support Options booklet has been published, which reflects the contemporary models in an easy to read, and visually engaging format. Fact sheets that explore some of the more specific elements of each model, including eligibility and suitability are also available. “We are very excited that people with disability, their families and carers will be able to get more information on what type of support is available, and the most suitable options for them,” Mr Constance said. “These resources will give case managers and other support people the tools to have a real discussion about what options would suit each person for the life they want to live.”

For more information about Accommodation Support Options visit www.adhc.nsw.gov.au/individuals/support/somewhere_to_live

Females and Fragile X Syndrome (2004) DVD

(Recommended for families and professionals) In this 20 minute DVD, created by renowned fragile X psychologist, Dr. Marcia Braden, you will find scenes of females from preschool through adulthood. The genetic basis of fragile X females and inheritance is described along with interviews and scenes depicting girls and women in school, at play and at work. Throughout, a voice-over narration provides key points regarding the needs of females as well as the most appropriate interventions. Available from the [Fragile X Alliance Inc](#) for \$33.00

WHO launches Wheelchair service training package

The wheelchair is one of the most commonly used assistive devices. It is estimated that 70 million people require wheelchairs worldwide, yet only 5% to 15% of people have access. In partnership with USAID, WHO released the “Wheelchair Service Training Package: Basic Level” whose main purpose is to develop the minimum skills and knowledge required by personnel involved in wheelchair service delivery. More information: http://www.who.int/disabilities/media/news/2012/30_06/en/index.html.

WELL Enteral Nutrition Training Resource.

Dinner is Served Food & Fluid through a Tube : Enteral Nutrition Explained. This resource will assist in the training of workers in the community services sector to safely and competently administer nutrition and medication via a gastrostomy tube. This resource is based on realistic work situations and supports a number of competencies in the Community Service, Health & Disability Training Packages.

http://www.disabilityenterprises.com.au/blog/Publications/post/WELL_Enteral_Nutrition_Resource/

[Multimedia guide](#) with downloadable video – explains **Fragile X**, diagnosis, symptoms and treatment in simple terms – from Your Genes Your Health.

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World Braille Day. <http://www.zapaday.com/event/354847/1/World+Braille+Day.html>

24 - 25 January 2013

International Seminar on Social Perspectives of Disability and Our Roles. Raffles City Convention Centre, Singapore. <http://mex.girdc.com>

28 January 2013

16th National Case Management Conference. Sofitel Sydney Wentworth, Sydney. Case Management Society of Australia. <http://acoss.org.au/events/view/1167/www.cmsa.org.au>

6 – 8 February 2013

VALID, Having A Say Conference. Geelong, Victoria. <http://www.valid.org.au/conference/default.htm>

6 – 8 February 2013

7th Australasian Housing Researchers Conference. Esplanade Hotel, Fremantle.

<http://business.curtin.edu.au/research/conferences/ahrc13/>

7 February 2013

Employment Services for the Future Conference. Woodward Conference Centre, 10th floor, Melbourne Law, Building 185, 185 Pelham St, University of Melbourne. Centre for Public Policy. http://public-policy.unimelb.edu.au/events/current_events/employment_services_conference

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National Disability Services NSW 2013 State Conference.

Hilton, Sydney. **OPEN FOR REGISTRATION** <http://www.nds.org.au/events/1348556049>

12 – 13 February 2013

Discharge Planning & Services Integration. L'Aqua, Cockle Bay Wharf, Sydney. www.reducingreadmission.com

13 – 14 February 2013

Measuring Social Outcomes. Bayview Boulevard, Sydney. Centre for Social Impact (CSI).

<http://improvingsocialoutcomes.com/>

18 February 2013

International Asperger's Day. <http://www.asperger.asn.au/>

18 February 2013

Making Sensible and Ethical Decisions About Psychiatric Medications for Children. 12.30pm-2.00pm. Lecture Theatre 3, Education Block, Westmead Hospital. Sydney. For enquiries: contact Kerry or Chloe, ph 9845 6577 or email chloe.macdonald@swahs.health.nsw.gov.au or kerry.hart@swahs.health.nsw.gov.au

19 February 2013

After School Issues for students with disability – Workshop for families. Albury NSW. Family Advocacy. [Resourcing Families](http://www.resourcingfamilies.com.au) Bookings 02 9869 0866 or 1800 620 588 (free call) or by email at workshops@family-advocacy.com. (on the web site see the series of workshops in different locations in NSW)

21 - 22 February 2013

Summer Forum of the Mental Health Services Conference. Sydney. <http://www.themhs.org/summer-forum>

21 - 22 February 2013

4th Annual National Dementia Congress. Novotel Melbourne on Collins, Victoria.

<http://www.iir.com.au/conferences/government/national-dementia-congress>

21 - 22 February 2013

National Forensic Nursing Conference. Radisson Blu Plaza Hotel, Sydney.

<http://www.iir.com.au/conferences/healthcare/national-forensic-nursing-conference>

21 - 24 February 2013

APS Counselling Psychology Conference. Melbourne, Victoria.

<http://www.groups.psychology.org.au/ccoun/conference2013/>

24 – 26 February 2013

22nd Annual Tri-State Conference: Aged Care Reform or Revolution. Albury Entertainment Centre.

<http://vic.lasa.asn.au/event/tristate2013/>

26 - 27 February 2013

Physical Health Care in Mental Health for Nurses Burwood, NSW. College of Nursing. 14 CPD Hrs. www.acn.edu.au
1800 265 534 ssc@nursing.edu.au

27 February – 1 March 2013

15th Annual Health Congress. Radisson Blu Plaza Sydney. <http://www.informa.com.au/conferences/health-care-conference/health-congress>

27 February – 1 March 2013

RehabTech Asia. Singapore EXPO Convention & Exhibition Centre. www.rehabtechasia.com

6 March 2013

Creating Community Connections Webinar Workshop. Online – your computer.

resourcingfamilies.org.au/index.php/events.html or contact Resourcing Families on phone (02) 9869 7753 or 1800 774 764 (free call for NSW non metro callers) or email info@resourcingfamilies.org

6 - 8 March 2013

46th Annual Gatlinburg Conference on Research and Theory in Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities. San Antonio, TX, USA. <http://kc.vanderbilt.edu/gatlinburg/>

6 - 10 March 2013

11th International Conference on Alzheimer's and Parkinson's Diseases. Florence, Italy. <http://www.kenes-group.com/Events/the-11th-international-conference-on-alzheimer%E2%80%99s-and-parkinson%E2%80%99s-diseases-adpd%E2%84%A2>

7 - 8 March 2013

Personality Disorders: Managing Complex Mental Health Disorders in Nursing. Ausmed Education. Hotel IBIS Melbourne. <http://www.ausmed.com.au/course/managing-personality-disorders-in-healthcare>

7 - 9 March 2013

Fundraising Institute Australia Conference. Sydney Convention & Exhibition Centre. <http://www.fiaconference.org.au/>

8 - 10 March 2013

International Conference on Cerebral Palsy & Developmental Diseases. Lucknow, India. R.P Shah Memorial Trust for Children With Cerebral Palsy, Indian Cerebral Palsy. <http://www.indiancerebralspalsy.com/index.php?page=edu>

11 – 12 March 2013

NSW Community Housing Conference. The Menzies Hotel Sydney, NSW Federation of Housing Associations Inc. <http://www.hotelnetwork.com.au/conferences/Conferences/NSWCHC2013>

12 – 13 March 2013

4th Annual National Disability Summit. Novotel Melbourne on Collins. <http://www.iir.com.au/conferences/healthcare/national-disability-summit>

14 – 15 March 2013

Carers NSW 2013 Biennial Conference. Novotel Sydney Brighton Beach, New South Wales. <http://www.carersnsw.asn.au/conf2013/>

18 - 19 March 2013

Aged Care Summit. Luna Park, Sydney. Co-located with 7th annual Retirement Communities World. <http://acevents.com.au/agedcare>

21 March 2013

World Down Syndrome Day <http://www.worlddownsyndromeday.org>

21 March 2013

Workshop: More Choice and Control. Ryde/Eastwood Leagues Club, 117 Ryedale Road, West Ryde NSW. resourcingfamilies.org.au/index.php/events.html or contact Resourcing Families on phone (02) 9869 7753 or 1800 774 764 (free call for NSW non metro callers) or email info@resourcingfamilies.org

21 - 22 March, 2013

2013 AAG & ACS Rural Conference. Orange Ex-Services Club. NSW, Australia. Australian Association of

Gerontology, Aged & Community Services Association of NSW & ACT Inc, the University of Newcastle Centre for Rural and Remote Mental Health Orange, and Research Centre for Gender, Health and Ageing.

<http://www.agedservices.asn.au/event-detail?EventCode=EHC03>

25 - 26 March 2013

4th Annual Mental Health Units Conference. Marriott Melbourne.

<http://www.iir.com.au/conferences/healthcare/mental-health-units-conference>

25 - 26 March 2013

ACOSS National Conference. The National Wine Centre, Cnr Botanic & Hackney Rds, Adelaide. Australian Council of Social Service. <http://conference.acoss.org.au/>

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