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NDIA's capability reviewed

A review of the NDIA's capability was released by the Minister, Senator Mitch Fifield. He announced some of the findings from the review's report in Senate Question Time. You can [view the announcement on Youtube](#).

The Board of the NDIA decided in December last year that it was an appropriate time to commission an independent review of the capabilities of the Agency. The review could ensure that the NDIA would be best positioned for the continuing roll-out and development of the Scheme.

Not surprisingly, the resulting report found that there is plenty of work ahead for the NDIA to build toward full Scheme.

The review also acknowledges the "truly remarkable" achievement of the Agency in launching the Scheme so successfully while retaining a high level of support from the Australian public.

You can [read the Report on the NDIS website](#).

"The capability review continues to capture media attention. As I said when responding to the review, we welcome the suggestions from the eminent reviewers. They will help us build a stronger and more effective NDIA. We achieved a great deal in a compressed time frame, and so I fully agree that it is now appropriate to move from short-term issues management to long-term sustainable operations."

"Since we received the report in January, we have accepted all the recommendations and are moving to implement them. Significant progress has been made on all recommendations with a number now being fully completed. The NDIA [action plan](#) is available on the website." David Bowen, CEO NDISA

Disability News

NDIA's Strategic Plan

[2013-2016 Strategic Plan](#). The NDIA Board developed the Plan that outlines the vision, mission and goals for the NDIA to ensure it builds and manages a world-leading National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) for all Australians.

It was developed in close consultation with the NDIA's management team and Independent Advisory Council and incorporates comments from the Commonwealth, state and territory governments and the broader community. The Strategic Plan will be reviewed by the NDIA Board annually and will be aligned with the NDIA's [Corporate Plan](#) and [Statement of Intent](#).

Featured Conferences

26 - 27 May 2014

Applied Disability Research and Evaluation Conference.

Sydney.

<http://cadr.org.au/date-first-applied-disability-research-evaluation-conference-announced/>

6 - 8 June 2014

9th. National Deafblind Conference

Mecure Grand Central Hotel Sydney.

<http://www.aomevents.com/deafblind2014>

26 – 27 June 2014

International Dementia Conference

Hilton, Sydney.

<http://www.dementiaconference.com/>

Disability News

Companion Card Web Site Updated

The NSW Companion Card is for people with a significant and permanent disability who need a carer with them at all times to enable participation in community based activities and venues. The Companion Card allows the carer free entry to venues, events and transport providers that have signed up to the program throughout Australia.

www.nswcompanioncard.org.au

Disability News

My Epilepsy Diary online - now also for iPad

<https://www.epilepsy.org.au/myepilepsydiary>

Epilepsy Action Australia is excited to announce that My Epilepsy Diary for iPad is now available at the Apple app store.

Epilepsy Action Australia is pleased to introduce you to My Epilepsy Diary, a state of the art online epilepsy seizure diary, adapted for the Australian community and accessed through the Epilepsy Action Australia website.

My Epilepsy Diary is a personal electronic diary to help you keep track of your epilepsy - putting you in control of your information and helping you keep an accurate account of your seizures, triggers and medications.

Create your own My Epilepsy Diary profile. It is simple to register and even easier to get started. Once you have created your About Me profile and set up your reminders, you can access your diary anywhere, anytime, using your computer or smart phone.

Parents and Carers have found the diary invaluable in keeping track of their child's seizures, medications and appointments. The ease of printing reports and graphs illustrating: seizure frequency, seizure triggers or response to new medications means you no longer have to try and remember what happened six months ago, because it is all there in print. You can upload photos, letters and documents, keeping them all in one place.

My Epilepsy Diary will help you take control of your epilepsy - no more missed medications, forgotten medical appointments or unfilled scripts. It's all at your fingertips, anywhere, anytime.

Why not register today, you'll be glad you did.

[Paraplegic walks tall with bionic backpack](#)

A bionic suit allowed paraplegic Radi Kaiuf to walk again via a battery-powered backpack computer.

Mental Health News

Providing psychosocial disability support through the NDIS

This paper proposes a new approach to trialling and implementing the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) to better meet the needs of mental health consumers and carers. [Mental Health Council of Australia](#)
[Providing psychosocial disability support through the NDIS](#)

Review of Mental Health Services and Programmes

The Australian Government has asked the National Mental Health Commission to conduct a national Review of Mental Health Services and Programmes. The review will examine existing mental health services and programmes across the government, private and non-government sectors. The focus of the review will be to assess the efficiency and effectiveness of programmes and services in supporting individuals experiencing mental ill health and their families and other support people to lead a contributing life and to engage productively in the community. [Read more](#)

State and Territory Community Mental Health Care 2011-12

Mental illness is frequently treated in community and hospital-based ambulatory care settings. Collectively, these services are referred to as [community mental health care](#). Data from the National Community Mental Health Care Database (NCMHCD) are used to describe these services. The statistical counting unit used in the NCMHCD is a [service contact](#) between either a patient or a third party and a specialised community mental health care service provider. For more information about the coverage and data quality of the NCMHCD, see the [data source](#) section.

- Over 5.5 million community mental health care service contacts were reported for approximately 300,000 patients in 2011–12. As a result of Victoria's non-submission of data to the collection in 2011–12, we cannot provide a comprehensive Australia-wide trend. Removing Victoria from the analysis, for other states and territories combined, there was a slight increase in both contacts and patients in 2011–12.
- The most common principal diagnosis reported for patients receiving service contacts was schizophrenia, followed by depressive episode and bipolar affective disorders.
- The most frequently recorded type of community mental health care service contact was with an individual patient (as opposed to in a group session) with a duration of 16–30 minutes.
- Involuntary contacts accounted for around about one-seventh (13.4%) of all contacts. The proportion of involuntary contacts decreased from 16.6% in 2007–08 to 13.4% in 2011–12.
- REPORT <http://mhsa.aihw.gov.au/WorkArea/DownloadAsset.aspx?id=38654705806>

Key Performance Indicators for Australian Public Mental Health Services

1.8% of people receive clinical mental health care

47% of admission have a preceding community contact

40% of clients are new clients (within the last 12 months)

9.6 seclusion events occur per 1,000 patient days

15.1 days is the average length of stay in acute inpatient units

6.9 days is the average number of community treatment days per 3 month period of ambulatory care

\$892 is the average cost per day in general acute inpatient units

\$325 is the average cost per community treatment day

71% of people who receive inpatient care get significantly better

15% of people are readmitted within 28 days

54% of patients leaving acute inpatient care are followed up within 7 days

34% of mental health inpatient episodes are completed

84% of services are compliant with all national standards

Featured Organisation

Children with Disability Australia (CDA)

<http://www.cda.org.au/home>

Children with Disability Australia (CDA) is the national peak body which represents children and young people (aged 0-25) with disability. CDA is a not for profit, community organisation that was officially incorporated as a company limited by guarantee in November 2009.

CDA provides a link between the direct experiences of children and young people with disability and their families to federal government and other key stakeholders. This link is essential for the creation of a true appreciation of the experiences of and challenges for children and young people with disability.

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Disability News

Crossroads: rethinking the Australian mental health system

Australia's mental health system will face an additional cost to the taxpayer of \$9 billion if the structure and emphasis of the current system is maintained, argues this report. The National Mental Health Commission has called for a doubling in the proportion of the Australian population who receive "timely and appropriate mental health services and support. However, our projections show that if we continue with business as usual, the current mental health system will require at least 8,800 additional mental health professionals, at a cumulative cost of \$9 billion to Australia (in today's dollars) over the next fifteen years in order to be able to deliver on this objective. It's clear therefore that Australia urgently needs a 21st century mental health care system to respond to the growing demand for, and rising costs of service delivery.

See article and access report at [Australia Policy Online](#)

Grant News

NDIS Supporting sector development grants

The NDIS Sector Development Fund (SDF) assists the disability services sector (including people with disability, their families and carers) to transition to the new arrangements for disability services in NDIS trial sites as well as the national transition to full scheme in the years ahead. As the NDIS will fundamentally change the way in which supports are accessed by people with disability, building the capacity of, and supporting the disability sector are SDF priorities.

The SDF Disability Support Organisation (DSO) Capacity Building Strategy Grants program will support 50 DSOs to develop about 1000 Local Support Groups (LSGs) to build the capacity of people with disability and their families. A DSO is required to be a community-based organisation with a direct membership of people with disability and their families. DSOs will require a presence in local communities without an onerous support infrastructure.

Up to \$22 million is available over three years to 2015-16. Eligible organisations can apply for \$335,000 funding.

An open selection process is now open to select DSOs in each of the jurisdictions to facilitate, coordinate and support LSGs. The process will enable a wide range of eligible organisations to apply for this work.

You can find out more about the [Grants](#) and the [Sector Development Fund](#) more generally on the NDIS website.

Country Women's Association of Australia (CWAA) Nursing Grant

The grant has been created to support a rural nurse or midwife in their continuing professional development.
The closing date for applications is Monday 30 June.

More information at [CWAA](http://www.cwaa.org.au) (www.cwaa.org.au / grants)

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http://www.globalcaresstaff.com/page/work_with_global.html

Disability News

Participation interview helps Disability Support Pension recipient set goals for their future

The Department of Human Services is here to assist people with disability to achieve greater self-sufficiency and is determined to provide support to Disability Support Pension (DSP) recipients wanting to return to employment or study.

DSP customers, who are under 35 years of age and have been assessed as having some capacity for activities such as work, study or volunteering, may need to meet with us for regular participation interviews to set goals for future study and work. DSP customers can work for up to 30 hours a week and continue to receive a part pension, as long as they still meet the income test.

For more information and to see if you may be required to attend a participation interview, visit the Participation requirements for Disability Support Pension web page on the Department of Human Services website at humanservices.gov.au

Books & Publications

Australia's welfare 2013

Australia's welfare 2013 is the 11th biennial welfare report of the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare. This comprehensive and authoritative report provides an overview of the wellbeing of Australians across domains of healthy living, autonomy and participation, and social cohesion. It includes information on: - population factors underpinning the demand for welfare services - particular needs and assistance provided to key groups - the resourcing of welfare services in Australia. The report is accompanied by a companion mini publication, Australia's welfare 2013 in brief. <http://www.aihw.gov.au/publication-detail/?id=60129543825>

[Accessible Gardening for People with Physical Disabilities: A Guide to Methods, Tools and Plants](#)

By [Janeen R. Adil](#) Paperback (USA), August 1994. Presents all the information and practical know-how necessary for designing, planting, and maintaining a garden that suits the special needs of young and older gardeners with physical disabilities. Dozens of mail-order sources are provided for the many tools, seeds, plants, and other materials discussed.

[An Exceptional Children's Guide to Touch](#)

An Exceptional Children's Guide to Touch Teaching Social and Physical Boundaries to Kids The rules of physical contact can be tricky to grasp. FPANSW Bookshop. \$21.95

[Social work education: voices from the Asia Pacific](#)

Edited by Carolyn Noble and Mark Henrickson. Sydney University Press. ISBN: 9781743320396. Social work and social development in the Asia-Pacific region continue to grow in new and exciting ways.

<http://fmx01.ucc.usyd.edu.au/jspcart/cart/Product.jsp?nID=742&nCategoryID=26>

[A modern epidemic: Expert perspectives on obesity and diabetes](#)

Edited by Louise A Baur, Stephen M Twigg and Roger S Magnusson. Sydney University Press. ISBN: 9781920899851. Diabetes, obesity and their related diseases make up one of the greatest challenges to human health in the 21st century. <http://fmx01.ucc.usyd.edu.au/jspcart/cart/Product.jsp?nID=643&nCategoryID=12>

[Paid Care in Australia: Politics, Profits, Practices](#)

Edited by Debra King and Gabrielle Meagher. Sydney University Press. ISBN: 9781920899295. Care for Australia's children and elderly is provided in a mixed economy, in which for-profit providers are playing an increasingly important role alongside more traditional government and non-government organisations.

<http://fmx01.ucc.usyd.edu.au/jspcart/cart/Product.jsp?nID=349&nCategoryID=26>

A free PDF version of the book can be downloaded [here](#)

Policies & Guidelines

Disability Standards for Education

The Disability Standards for Education (the Standards) are part of the national disability anti-discrimination legislation as it applies to education. The Standards apply to all education providers in Australia – early childhood services, government and non-government schools, universities and TAFE colleges. They set out a range of obligations that educational institutions must meet to make sure that students with disability are able to access and participate in education and training on the same basis as other students. Read more at <http://www.cda.org.au/disability-standards-for-education>

National practice standards for the mental health workforce

This document contains the twelve practice standards for those who work in mental health services within the professions of psychiatry, nursing, social work, psychology and occupational therapy. Web page

<http://www.health.gov.au/internet/publications/publishing.nsf/Content/mental-pubs-n-workstds-toc>

- [Standard 1: Rights, responsibilities, safety and privacy](#)
- [Standard 2: Consumer and carer participation](#)
- [Standard 3: Awareness of diversity](#)
- [Standard 4: Mental health problems and mental disorders](#)
- [Standard 5: Promotion and prevention](#)
- [Standard 6: Early detection and intervention](#)
- [Standard 7: Assessment, treatment, relapse prevention & support](#)
- [Standard 8: Integration and partnership](#)
- [Standard 9: Service planning, development and management](#)
- [Standard 10: Documentation and information systems](#)
- [Standard 11: Evaluation and research](#)
- [Standard 12: Ethical practice and professional responsibilities](#)

Pdf document [National practice standards for the mental health workforce 2013](#).

Australian Guidelines for the Treatment of ASD & PTSD

The Australian Centre for Posttraumatic Mental Health has advised that the Australian Guidelines for the Treatment of Acute Stress Disorder and Posttraumatic Stress Disorder have been released. Approved by the National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC) and endorsed by the Australian Psychological Society (APS), the Royal Australian College of General Practitioners (RACGP) and the Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Psychiatrists (RANZCP), the Guidelines have been developed by a team of Australia's leading trauma experts. The Guidelines provide recommendations on the best interventions for children, adolescents and adults who have been exposed to potentially traumatic events as well as those who have developed acute stress disorder (ASD) or posttraumatic stress disorder (PTSD). [Click here to go to the Guidelines website](#).

Many Minds Link: Community Directory

A community directory for people with a disability and their carers that is also researched and compiled by people who have a disability for mobile devices (mobile phones and tablets).

Project auspiced by the Differently Abled People Association Inc. (DAPA)

Search online <http://www.mmlink.com.au/Search.aspx>

Available as a mobile phone/ tablet application

IPhones App Store <https://itunes.apple.com/au/app/manymindslink/id556813006?mt=8>

Android <https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.mmlink.android>

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Join our 5,000+ Facebook friends or follow our studio guest announcements at AustralianSpectrum Alive90.5

NDIS

New NDIS fact sheets and information

The National Disability Insurance Agency (NDIA) has published new documents on the NDIS website, including its latest [Operational Guidelines](#), [“Connecting with the mainstream”](#) fact sheets and the NDIA’s first and second [quarter reports](#).

The Operational Guidelines set out the NDIA’s operational information which helps the Agency in making decisions or recommendations affecting participants.

The Operational Guidelines are based on the National Disability Insurance Scheme Act 2013 (NDIS Act) and relevant Rules made under the NDIS Act. They will be reviewed to ensure they are accurate, updated and complete.

They are published under a range of headings on the NDIS website, including the “Operational Guideline on Registered Providers of Supports”. The [Registered Providers of Supports guidelines](#) contain operational information about the registration and revocation process for registered providers of supports.

The [“Connecting with mainstream”](#) fact sheets provide an overview of how people with disability should be assisted to access supports from mainstream systems; and how to determine whether a support is funded by the NDIS or another system. Wherever possible, the NDIA will assist participants to access mainstream systems.

Each quarter the National Disability Insurance Agency (NDIA) prepares a report on its operations for the [Council of Australian Governments \(COAG\) Disability Reform Council](#) in accordance with section 174 of the [National Disability Insurance Scheme Act 2013](#). These reports are known as [quarterly reports](#).

The quarterly reports provide the COAG Disability Reform Council with information (including statistics) about participants in each jurisdiction and the funding or provision of supports by the NDIA in each jurisdiction.

You can contribute to a Research Study

Dear Colleague,

Over the last several months our Research Team from The University of New England and the University of Sydney for the project, *Successful Ageing for People with and without an Intellectual Disability*, have been interviewing people who are ageing and their carers concerning issues around their life experiences.

NEXT STEP

We are now seeking the input of people who work with and assist older people to contribute their knowledge and experience to help us identify the problems and gaps within the existing health, ageing and disability care sectors that may prevent the successful ageing of people in both rural and urban regions of NSW and Queensland.

The information you provide will be vital in assisting our understanding how to support people to have a quality life in this period.

We invite you to complete the online survey and to distribute it to other colleagues in your network whom you feel may have the time to also complete it. Your responses are anonymous and therefore apart from your professional grouping and postcode we will not know who you are.

Your support is especially valued. Thank you for taking the time to do this survey.

<http://www.une.edu.au/about-une/academic-schools/school-of-rural-medicine/research/crn-mental-health/health-professional-survey>

On behalf of the Research Team,
Trevor R Parmenter AM PhD
Professor Emeritus (U.Sydney)
Adjunct Professor (Univ. of New England)

Research & Demographic Reports

National Social Housing Survey: detailed results 2012

An overview of the national findings of the 2012 National Social Housing Survey was published by AIHW in May 2013. This report provides further detail on national level findings, state and territory comparisons and comparisons across public housing, state owned and managed Indigenous housing, and community housing programs. It shows that:

- The majority of tenants are satisfied with the services provided by their housing organisation, with community housing tenants the most satisfied.
- Tenants report a range of benefits from living in social housing. Around 7 in 10 tenants feel more settled and are able to manage rent or money better.
- The majority of tenants live in a dwelling of an acceptable standard, and less than 1 in 10 social housing dwellings can be reported as overcrowded.
- An estimated 1 in 10 public housing and SOMIH tenants and around 1 in 5 community housing tenants indicated they have been homeless in the past five years.

AIHW catalogue number (HOU 272). View the [media release](#) and download the [full report](#) for free online.

Research into maximising life choices of people with a spinal cord injury

Spinal Cord Injuries Australia (SCIA) commissioned the Social Policy Research Centre (SPRC) at the University of New South Wales (UNSW) to carry out research about maximising life choices of people with a spinal cord injury. The research was supported by Ageing Disability and Home Care, Department of Family and Community Service NSW. This report outlines the methods, findings and implications of the research. The research involved a literature review, one-to-one interviews, roundtables and an on-line survey (Section 3). Total participants were 111, including 83 in the online survey. Hard to reach groups such as Aboriginal and Torres Straight Islanders, people living in regional locations, born overseas or from a culturally and linguistically diverse background, were well represented in the survey. Overrepresented were women, older people and people with higher levels of education (Section 4).

The Personal Wellbeing Index was used to measure people's quality of life. The scores were within the normal range for Australians, although the average score for participants was, as expected, lower than the Australian average in most cases (Section 4). [Research into maximising life choices of people with a spinal cord injury](#)

Diabetes and disability: impairments, activity limitations, participation restrictions and comorbidities: The report examines the association between diabetes and disability in Australia using data from the Australian Bureau of Statistics' Survey of Disability, Ageing and Carers 2009. People with diabetes were twice as likely to have a disability and almost 3 times as likely to have a severe or profound limitation than people without diabetes. [Read more](#).

Featured Course

Transition to Retirement for people with a disability -1Day Workshop

held at the University of Sydney

Friday June 13, 2014

Register online [here](#) (see attached flyer for further details)

This practical workshop will give delegates detailed knowledge of how to implement the *Transition to Retirement program* to enable older workers with disability, such as workers at Australian Disability Enterprises (ADEs), to cut down their days of paid work and begin to develop an inclusive retirement lifestyle by being supported to join a local *mainstream* community group of their choice. **Places in the workshop are limited and will be allocated on a first-come-first-served basis.** For any enquiries please contact disabilitypolicycentre@sydney.edu.au or phone 02 9351 9721

WORKSHOP PRESENTERS:

Prof. Roger Stancliffe, Centre for Disability Research and Policy, University of Sydney

Dr. Nathan Wilson, School of Nursing and Midwifery, University of Western Sydney

A representative of the *Transition to Retirement* program at AFFORD

Registration includes a copy of the *Transition to Retirement* manual and DVD (RRP \$25.00) by Roger Stancliffe, Nathan Wilson, Nicolette Gambin, Christine Bigby and Susan Balandin.

[See attached Flyer](#)

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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

The Transition to Retirement manual and DVD is available online at

<http://purl.library.usyd.edu.au/sup/9781743323274>

by Roger Stancliffe, Nathan Wilson, Nicolette Gambin, Christine Bigby and Susan Balandin.

Online preview of the TTR manual available at

http://books.google.com.au/books?id=rC9ZAqAAQBAJ&pg=PA6&source=gbs_selected_pages&cad=2#v=onepage&q&f=false

New human rights guide to the Australian Curriculum

The Commission has released a new tool intended to help identify many of the opportunities that the Australian Curriculum provides for teaching students about the promotion and protection of human rights, both in Australia and around the world.

“The Australian Curriculum provides a strong opportunity for children and young people to learn about their human rights and the importance of respecting the rights and freedoms of others,” said Commission President, Professor Gillian Triggs.

“Our new publication, Human Rights Examples for the Australian Curriculum, is a guide that will assist teachers in identifying practical opportunities in English, History, Geography, Science and Maths for teaching human rights-related content to students up to year 10.”

Professor Triggs said the importance of human rights education, which is a right in itself, is recognised in a number of human rights treaties including the Convention on the Rights of the Child.

“Educating students about human rights, and the laws that protect all people, ultimately helps them and us to address discrimination, as well as harassment and violence, and to protect fundamental freedoms, like freedom of speech,” Professor Triggs said.

“It is a way of protecting human rights by changing attitudes, building empathy and motivating participation, all of which help to build a more equal, respectful and inclusive Australia.”

Human Rights Examples for the Australian Curriculum is available at:

<http://www.humanrights.gov.au/publications/rightsed-human-rights-education-resources-teachers>

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Conference Calendar

See a more comprehensive listing of conferences at our web site

http://www.globalcarestaff.com/page/conference_calendar.html

1 - 2 May 2014

Person-Centred Facilitation Workshop. University of Sydney. <http://www.cds.med.usyd.edu.au/introduction-to-person-centred-facilitation-workshop-sydney>

4 - 10 May 2014

National Motor Neurone Disease Week. MND Australia. <http://www.mndaust.asn.au/>

6 - 8 May 2014

Canadian Conference on Developmental Disabilities and Autism. Winnipeg, MB, Canada. <http://www.cdda.ca/>

7 – 8 May 2014

Towards a Better Life: Introduction to Social Role Valorisation framework. Burwood, NSW. Foundations Forum.
[Register online](#)

10 May 2014

Nursing and Health Expo. Sydney Town Hall. <http://acn.edu.au/expos>

11 – 15 May 2014

RANZCP Congress. Evolving Landscapes in Mental Health. Perth Convention and Exhibition Centre.
<http://www.ranzcp2014.com/>

12 – 13 May 2014

The PATH Process Workshop: Planning Alternative Tomorrows with Hope. Medical Foundation Building, Camperdown, Sydney. Centre for Disability Studies, University of Sydney. <http://www.cds.med.usyd.edu.au/path-process-workshop>

14 - 15 May 2014

ATSA Daily Living Expo 2014. Melbourne, VIC, Australia. <http://www.dailylivingexpo.com.au>

17 May 2014

Pacific Rim International Forum on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities. Hilton Hawaiian Village, Honolulu, Hawaii. www.pacrim.hawaii.edu

19 – 20 May 2014

30th Pacific Rim International Conference on Disability & Diversity. Hawaii Convention Center, Honolulu, Hawaii.
www.pacrim.hawaii.edu

20 May 2014

ACORN National Conference. Convention & Exhibition Centre, Melbourne.
<http://www.ota.org.au/data/events/2014ACORNFlyer.pdf>

20 - 23 May 2014

Inclusive Learning Technologies Conference. Gold Coast, Queensland.
<http://www.spectronicsinoz.com/conference/>

21 May 2014

3rd Australian Network on Disability National Conference. Sydney. <http://www.and.org.au/pages/events.html>

26 - 27 May 2014

Applied Disability Research and Evaluation Conference.
Sydney. <http://cadr.org.au/date-first-applied-disability-research-evaluation-conference-announced/>

26 – 27 May 2014

Eating Disorders and Obesity Conference. Gold Coast, Qld. <http://eatingdisordersaustralia.org.au/>

29 – 30 May 2014

LASA NSW-ACT State Congress. The Westin Sydney, Martin Place, Sydney.
<http://www.nswact.lasa.asn.au/events/upcoming-events/955-lasa-nsw-act-congress-2014>

29 – 30 May 2014

Introduction to Person Centred Facilitation Workshop. Gourlay Basement, Trinity College, University of Melbourne, Royal Parade, Parkville, Victoria. Centre for Disability Studies, University of Sydney.
<http://cds.med.usyd.edu.au/introduction-to-person-centred-facilitation-melbourne>

29 – 30 May 2014

Australian Primary Healthcare Nurses Australia National Conference. Hilton Sydney.
<http://apnaconference.asn.au/>

29 – 30 May 2014

Better Practice Conference: Aged Care. Hilton on the Park, Melbourne.
<http://www.accreditation.org.au/education/better-practice-2013/>

4 – 5 June 2014

Mental Health Community Coalition ACT Conference. Ann Harding Conference Centre, University of Canberra.
<http://www.mhccact.org.au/>

6 - 8 June 2014

9th National Deafblind Conference.

Mecure Grand Central Hotel Sydney. <http://www.aomevents.com/deafblind2014>

11– 12 June 2014

ACOSS National Conference. Brisbane, Queensland. <http://conference.acoss.org.au/>

13 June 2014

Transition to Retirement for people with a disability 1-Day Workshop

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26 – 27 June 2014

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