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## GLOBAL DISABILITY & AGEING NEWS

### **Premier launches 10-year plan - Stronger Together: A new direction for disability services in NSW 2006-2016**

The NSW Government has launched *Stronger Together: A new direction for disability services in NSW 2006-2016* to deliver better services for people with a disability and their families. The plan follows extensive state-wide consultation and provides an additional \$1 billion funding over the first five years. *Click on each of the links below to get copies of the respective documents.*

[Stronger Together: Summary](#)

[Stronger Together: Fact Sheet](#)

[Stronger Together: A new direction for disability services in NSW 2006 – 2016 \(Full Document\)](#)

## GLOBAL DISABILITY & AGEING NEWS

### **Home and Community Care (HACC)**

The Home and Community Care (HACC) Program is a central element of the Australian Government's aged care policy, providing community care services to frail aged and younger people with disabilities, and their carers. The HACC Program is a cost-shared program between the Commonwealth and State and Territory governments. The HACC program provides funding for a range of services which support people who are at risk of inappropriate admission to long term residential care. The HACC Program also supports their carers.

The aims of the HACC Program are:

- to provide a comprehensive, coordinated and integrated range of basic maintenance and support services for frail aged people, people with a disability and their carers; and
- to support these people to be more independent at home and in the community, thereby enhancing their quality of life and/or preventing their inappropriate admission to long term residential care.

Read more at the Department of Health & Ageing web site at

<http://www.health.gov.au/internet/wcms/publishing.nsf/Content/hacc-index.htm>

## GLOBAL DISABILITY & AGEING FEATURED ORGANISATION

### **Self Advocacy Sydney Inc.**

<http://www.sasinc.com.au>

Self Advocacy Sydney is an organisation run by and for people with Intellectual Disability.

#### **Their Mission Statement**

- Give training support and information to all members / consumers to develop their skills as self advocates.

- Provide information and education to the community about self advocacy and the rights of the people who have Intellectual Disability.
- Develop strong links with other advocacy and community groups.

Self Advocacy Sydney Suite 4, 2A Newton & Flushcombe Roads Blacktown NSW 2148 Australia Ph (02) 9622 3005  
 Fax (02) 9622 6030 Email [info@sasinc.com.au](mailto:info@sasinc.com.au)

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## GLOBAL SCHOLARSHIPS NEWS

### **Aged Care Nurses Scholarship Programme – Continued funding**

The Federal Government announced continued funding of \$36 million to the Aged Care Nurses Scholarship Programme will result in 1,000 new scholarships to strengthen this important workforce.

#### **Why is this important?**

- There is a shortage of nurses in residential aged care. The aged care scholarships system is successfully increasing the number of people who see aged care nursing as an attractive career option.
- This initiative will provide funding for no less than 1,000 aged care nursing scholarships over four years to encourage more people to take up aged care nursing, and to improve career pathways for nurses already working in aged care.

[PDF printable version of Aged Care Nurses Scholarship Programme - Continue funding \(PDF 40 KB\)](#)

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### **Models of supported accommodation for people with a disability**

The Minister for Disability Services, the Hon John Della Bosca convened a series of accommodation roundtable discussions with a small group of representatives from peak organisations, service providers and key stakeholders on 12 July and 18 August 2005.

For the range of papers go to the DADHC web site at

<http://www.dadhc.nsw.gov.au/dadhc/People+with+a+disability/Models+of+Supported+Accommodation+for+People+with+a+Disability.htm>

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## GLOBAL DISABILITY & AGEING BOOKS GUIDE

### **Positive Behaviour Support for People with Intellectual Disability: Evidence-based practice promoting quality of life**

*K. McVilly. First published 2003 (212pp.)* This accessible book is an essential resource for support workers and other disability professionals, educators and students in the intellectual disability field. It provides evidence-based information to help the reader understand challenging behaviour, to develop and implement behaviour support plans, and monitor those plans to ensure their ongoing effectiveness. Clear guidance is provided on ethical and legal principles underpinning behaviour support. Examples of charts and forms provide materials for use in practice. Combining cutting edge research and contemporary best practice, this practical book presents a holistic, bio-psycho-social approach to behaviour support designed to promote quality of life for people with disability. Purchase Price: \$66.00 AUD (others) - includes GST and postage - Bulk discounts available. **Ordering:**

<http://www.assid.org.au/Portals/0/Publications/PublicationsOrderForm.pdf>

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## GLOBAL DISABILITY & AGEING GUIDE TO POLICIES & GUIDELINES

### The Positive Approach to Challenging Behaviour (Free PDF Publication)

Policy & Guidelines published by the Department of Ageing, Disability & Home Care. "This policy, The Positive Approach to Challenging Behaviour, stems from the Ageing and Disability Department's commitment to ensure the right of people with disability to live in an environment that is free from abuse. People with a disability who may exhibit challenging behaviour are entitled to the same rights and safeguards as others in the community." View or download from DADHC web site at

<http://www.dadhc.nsw.gov.au/NR/rdonlyres/50B41AD4-57B5-4BF3-8989-FD5A528FADE6/705/PositiveApproach1.pdf>

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## GLOBAL ONLINE DIRECTORIES GUIDE

### Disability Directory Online

If you ever need to find a Disability Service in NSW to refer a client to – then bookmark this useful online directory [http://www.pwp-hills.org/welfaredirectory\\_disability.htm](http://www.pwp-hills.org/welfaredirectory_disability.htm)

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## GLOBAL DISABILITY & AGEING GRANT NEWS

### Northern Sydney Region - School Aged Early Intervention and Family Disability Support Service DADHC.06.45

*Closing Date: 1 December 2006*

The initiative that this tender relates to is for the provision of support services for school age children that is intended to redress the service gap families may experience once their child starts school and becomes too old for the support of early childhood intervention services.

DADHC is seeking a provider who will ensure continuity and quality of support for service users with a disability in the Metro North Region.

Specific directions to enhance the service system that supports people with a disability and their carers are:

- **Strengthening families and communities** to help people with a disability to live in the community;
- **Introducing preventative options and responses** that reduce the likelihood of the breakdown of supports of a person with a disability, including expanding basic support services to reach as many of the Department's target population as possible;
- **Managing requests for support** for disability specific services so that needs are addressed and prioritised in a planned and systematic way; and
- **Optimising the capacity, responsiveness and cost effectiveness** of the formal support system, including through information technology reforms that will allow care workers to spend more time with their service users.

DADHC is seeking tenders from capable organisations with a proven track record in achieving the outputs and outcomes described in the Specification.

### Further Information

[Cover Letter](#)

[Information for Applicants](#)

[Specifications](#)

[Application Form](#)

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## GLOBAL DISABILITY & AGEING RESEARCH NEWS

Improving information on disability and functioning 6-7 February 2006  
Masonic centre, Sydney (Conference paper) -

Dr Vivienne Riches, *Centre for Developmental Disability Studies University of Sydney*

**The I-CAN: an Instrument for the Classification and Assessment of Support Needs** of people with disability is based on the World Health Organization's (2001) ICF framework, and the conceptualisation of intensities of supports (American Association of Mental Retardation, 2002). The instrument was developed in partnership between the University of Sydney, the Centre for Developmental Disability Studies and the Royal Rehabilitation Centre Sydney, with funding from an Australian Research Council Linkage Grant 2001-2004.

**Full abstract at** [http://www.aihw.gov.au/eventsdiary/iidf2006/abstracts\\_pdf\\_doc/VIVRiches\\_abstract.pdf](http://www.aihw.gov.au/eventsdiary/iidf2006/abstracts_pdf_doc/VIVRiches_abstract.pdf)

**Power Point Presentation at** [http://www.aihw.gov.au/eventsdiary/iidf2006/slides/Vivenne\\_Riches.ppt](http://www.aihw.gov.au/eventsdiary/iidf2006/slides/Vivenne_Riches.ppt)

Improving information on disability and functioning 6-7 February 2006  
Masonic centre, Sydney (Conference paper)

Robert Strike with Sally Robinson, *Disability Studies and Research Institute*

**So what's it like?: Giving up your personal information to researchers.** People with disability are increasingly involved in disability research. However, they are often involved as subjects or objects of research, rather than as active participants in the research process. How can researchers make sure that their research doesn't take from disempowered and marginalized people without giving them back something of value?

**Full abstract at**

[http://www.aihw.gov.au/eventsdiary/iidf2006/abstracts\\_pdf\\_doc/Strike\\_robinson.pdf](http://www.aihw.gov.au/eventsdiary/iidf2006/abstracts_pdf_doc/Strike_robinson.pdf)

**Power Point Presentation at**

[http://www.aihw.gov.au/eventsdiary/iidf2006/slides/Robert\\_Strike\\_&\\_Sally\\_Robinson.ppt](http://www.aihw.gov.au/eventsdiary/iidf2006/slides/Robert_Strike_&_Sally_Robinson.ppt)

## GLOBAL DISABILITY & AGEING FEATURED COURSE

### Bachelor of Education (Habilitation)

Australian Catholic University Strathfield Campus NSW

Minimum duration: 3 years full-time or equivalent part-time.

This Bachelor of Education (Habilitation) course is available to people who are already working in, or who are interested in working in, community-based organisations which provide a service to people with a disability.

Read further:

[http://my.acu.edu.au/courses/courselocation.cfm?course=Bachelor%20of%20Education%20\(Habilitation\)](http://my.acu.edu.au/courses/courselocation.cfm?course=Bachelor%20of%20Education%20(Habilitation))

### ACU Scholarships, Bursaries and Prizes Information

[http://www.acu.edu.au/student\\_life/Scholarships\\_Bursaries\\_and\\_Prizes/index.cfm](http://www.acu.edu.au/student_life/Scholarships_Bursaries_and_Prizes/index.cfm)

## GLOBAL DISABILITY & AGEING EDUCATION RESOURCES GUIDE

### SANE CD-ROM Guide to Psychosis

SKU: SKU\_16169 Interactive software for Windows or Mac An interactive guide to psychotic illnesses such as schizophrenia and bipolar disorder, using sound and animated images. It explains what psychosis means, how it feels for those who experience it and their families and friends and what treatments help. This CD-ROM is compatible with both Macintosh and Windows computers. \$35

<https://www.sane.org/bookshop/product.php?productid=16169&cat=266&page=1>

## GLOBAL POSITIONS VACANT

**Aged Care Nursing Positions in the Blue Mountains: Registered Nurses, Endorsed Enrolled Nurses, Assistants in Nursing** (with min. 1 yr exp with Level 3 or 4 cert.) (Permanent positions)

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We are looking for people with professional backgrounds in disabilities, aged & dementia care, mental health, community & welfare services, health services, drug & alcohol, public health, nursing, international aid, and human services.

**Rural & Regional Recruitment & Education Consultants in NSW** (sub-contract work)

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Do you have qualifications & experience in disabilities, aged /dementia care, mental health, community services and have human resources experience in recruitment & selection as well as staff induction, training & education – then send us your resume. We are interested in people who can cover major regional and rural areas in NSW.

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## GLOBAL DISABILITY & AGEING CONFERENCES GUIDE

**13 November 2006**

**The Future of the Aged & Community Care Workforce.**

Holiday Inn, Melbourne Airport. Aged & Community Services Association.

[http://www.agedcare.org.au/Conferences/ACSA\\_conferences.htm](http://www.agedcare.org.au/Conferences/ACSA_conferences.htm)

**15 - 17 November 2006**

**"The Right to the Right Health Care" Evidence, ethics and health in people with developmental disability** Sydney Masonic Centre, 66 Goulburn St, Sydney

<http://www.cdds.med.usyd.edu.au/html/Conferences.html> 61 2 8878 0500 [cdds@med.usyd.edu.au](mailto:cdds@med.usyd.edu.au)

**16 - 17 November 2006**

**6TH ANNUAL DISABILITY SUPPORT WORKERS CONFERENCE "Meeting the Challenge"**

University of Melbourne Economics and Commerce Building Parkville VICTORIA

[www.courses.as.rmit.edu.au/psychology/dsw06](http://www.courses.as.rmit.edu.au/psychology/dsw06)

**18 November 2006**

**People with Disability Australia, Annual General Meeting** Venue tbc. More information is available from Allyson Campbell at PWD at [allyc@pwd.org.au](mailto:allyc@pwd.org.au)

**19 -20 November 2006**

**Aged Care Association 25th Silver Jubilee Congress.** Perth Convention & Expo Centre. ACAA

Federal office Telephone: 02-6285 2615 Email: [office@agedcareassociation.com.au](mailto:office@agedcareassociation.com.au)

**21 - 22 November 2006**

**Telegroup Counselling (TGC) Facilitator Training** TGCs are an effective, low cost, time efficient method of linking, supporting and resourcing carers anywhere in NSW. The two-day training places a high emphasis on experiential learning and discussion. For registration details, contact Ms Daryn Elston-Smith, Carers NSW Ph 02 9280 4744 or [daryn@carersnsw.asn.au](mailto:daryn@carersnsw.asn.au)

**27 November - 01 December 2006**

**Rett Syndrome Angel Week - Nationwide** - Rett Syndrome Australian Research Fund 1800 177 111  
[www.rett.nesher.com.au](http://www.rett.nesher.com.au)

**29 November 2006**

**"Update on Down syndrome" for professionals and service providers** [Down Syndrome NSW](http://DownSyndromeNSW.com.au) seminar for professionals and service providers at Revesby (SW Sydney). Contact Jill O'Connor, Information Officer, Down Syndrome NSW, phone 02 9683 4333 or email [info@dsansw.org.au](mailto:info@dsansw.org.au) Download [registration brochure](#).

**29 November – 1 December 2006**

**11th NSW Rural Mental Health Conference** Orange Ex-Services Club, Orange Annual State Conference. Theme for the 2006 conference is 'help hope and hype: recreating mental health in the new century'. Rural Community Mental Health Emergency Response. Aboriginal Mental Health. Older Persons Mental Health. Children and Young People. Carers and Consumers. Participation in the Community and Employment, including Accommodation. Mental Health Needs of Farmers. Early Intervention and Health promotion. Partnerships in research and service delivery. Regarding submission of abstracts and registration: Judy Parker, [judy@eastcoastconferences.com.au](mailto:judy@eastcoastconferences.com.au) or Tel. 6650 9800

**29-30 November 2006**

**CEOs Conference, Canberra - ACROD National**

Information: Ph: (02) 6283 3200, Email: [Karen Moyers](mailto:Karen.Moyers@acrod.org.au)

**30 November 2006**

**IDEAS Expo 2006 - Silver Jubilee** Mirambeena Centre Albury Thursday 30 November 2006 2pm—7pm  
Friday 1 December 2006 10am—3pm For more information, please contact IDEAS on 1800 029 904 or email: [ideas@ideas.org.au](mailto:ideas@ideas.org.au)

**1 December 2006**

**National Disability Sport and Active Recreation Conference.** Duxton Hotel, Perth WA. More information from [ken.burton@dsr.wa.gov.au](mailto:ken.burton@dsr.wa.gov.au)

**3 December 2006**

**International Day of Disabled Persons** - International - United Nations Information Centre 02 9262 5111  
[www.un.org.au](http://www.un.org.au)

**3 December 2006**

**International Day of People with a Disability** The International Day of People with a Disability is celebrated annually with many different events across the State. For more information visit the website [www.internationaldayofpeoplewithadisability.com.au](http://www.internationaldayofpeoplewithadisability.com.au)  
Also see Nican's website for activities Australia-wide: <http://www.nican.com.au>

**10 December 2006**

**International Human Rights Day** - International - United Nations Information Centre 02 9262 5111  
[www.un.org.au](http://www.un.org.au)

**19-20 February 2007**

**ACROD NSW Annual State Conference "Disability Services ~ What's Next?"**

Novotel Brighton-Le Sands Call for papers now closed. Early Bird Registration: November 06 Register your interest: Email: [gabe@acrodsw.net](mailto:gabe@acrodsw.net)

**8-9 March 2007**

**Partnerships for Better Health Outcomes: Carers and Professionals working together** A conference for professionals in acute, primary and community health and community care. This NSW conference on leading practice in carer support in health and community care. Dockside, Cockle Bay, Sydney Email: [conference@carersnsw.asn.au](mailto:conference@carersnsw.asn.au) Ph: 02 9280 4744

**11 - 18 March 2007**

**NSW Seniors Week 2007** <http://www.dadhc.nsw.gov.au/dadhc/Events/Event0320.htm>

**12-13 March 2007**

**23rd Annual Pacific Rim Conference on Disabilities** at the Sheraton Waikiki Hotel & Resort Hawaii  
With more than 24 countries, provinces & territories represented at the 2006 conference, Pac Rim 2007 will continue

the long-standing tradition of assembling researchers, professionals, paraprofessionals, persons with disabilities, family members, students and others to present on a variety of topics that affect everyday lives. Pac Rim continues to promote cutting-edge opportunities to learn from one another, share resources and ideas that support the quality of life, community inclusion, and self-determination for all persons with disabilities and their families to help shape our world community. <http://www.pacrim.hawaii.edu>

**21 March 2007**

**World Down Syndrome Day.**

Australia <http://www.dsansw.org.au/events/WorldDownSyndromeDay.html> International <http://www.worlddownsyndromeday.org/>

**2 - 3 April 2007**

**ACROD's 2007 Ageing & Disability National Conference** Hilton Hotel, Adelaide. The ACROD 2007 Ageing and Disability Conference will seek to integrate policy, research and practice to improve society's response to the needs and lifestyle preferences of older people with disability. It will offer presentations and workshops appealing to a broad cross section of staff from service providers, but designed to be also of interest to people from government departments and academic institutions. <http://www.acrod.org.au/conferences/a&d2007/home.htm>

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