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GLOBAL DISABILITY & AGEING NEWS

Federal Program for Helping Children with Autism

The Australian Government has committed \$190 million for the four years to June 2012 to deliver the **Helping Children with Autism** package. The package will help address the considerable need for support and services for children with autism spectrum disorders (ASDs).

The Commonwealth's web site tells us that the *Helping Children with Autism* package is being implemented across the Department of Health and Ageing, the Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs and the Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations.

FaHCSIA will oversee the implementation of the following initiatives:

- Education and support for families and carers of children with ASDs; and
- Increased access to early intervention programs for children aged 0-6 with ASDs.

All initiatives will include support for families, carers and children from diverse cultural and linguistic backgrounds, as well as rural and remote areas.

The Helping Children with Autism package will create new items in the Medicare Benefits Schedule, fund training for teachers and support playgroups, and provide early intervention

This package will assist children with autism and other less prevalent pervasive developmental disorders such as Rett's Disorder or childhood disintegrative disorder.

[Fact Sheet - FaHCSIA Initiatives](#)

<http://www.health.gov.au/internet/main/publishing.nsf/Content/mental-autism>

- Further information is available from the *Helping Children with Autism* Inquiry Line on 1800 289 177 and TTY 1800 260 402.
- Enquires can also be emailed to asd@fahcsia.gov.au

GLOBAL DISABILITY & AGEING NEWS (Extracts)

A heart warming era in recognizing the needs of people with disabilities and people who are ageing. The 2008-09 NSW Budget has allocated a total of \$2 billion to the

NSW Department of Ageing, Disability and Home Care (DADHC), an increase of \$130 million over the previous year.

This represents an increase of 6.9 per cent and will fund the continued increase in existing services, such as therapy, respite, supported accommodation, case management, post school programs and development of new programs to help support people with a disability, their carers and families. This also includes a range of community support services for frail older people, younger people with a disability and their carers.

The Budget represents the third year of the NSW Government's historic reshaping of the sector under its 10-year *Stronger Together* strategy, which is delivering an extra \$1.3 billion in funding over its first five years. The increase continues the NSW Government's ongoing commitment to strong growth in funding for services for people with a disability and older people. Over the past five years, DADHC's recurrent Budget has increased by 46.2 per cent.

DADHC has about 900 community partners who deliver services on its behalf. In 2008-09 they will receive grants and subsidies totaling \$1,284 million.

Key service expansions include:

Stronger Together

- \$109.3 million (up \$38.7 million from 2007/08) for supported accommodation, providing community-based residential support for people with a disability. 280 extra supported accommodation places will be delivered by the end of 2008/09, taking the total number delivered so far under *Stronger Together* to 620.
- \$17.7 million (up \$7.6 million) to prevent young people entering nursing homes, improve services to young people who live in nursing homes, and develop alternative models of support and accommodation.
- \$14.1 million (up \$7.5 million) for attendant care places which provide up to 35 hours of help per week to people with disabilities with high care needs, helping them live independently. An extra 100 attendant care places will be delivered in 2008/09, taking the total number of new places to 190.
- \$5.3 million (up \$2 million) for Intensive Support Packages. The increase of \$2 million will provide 400 intensive support packages for young people with disabilities and their families – providing co-ordinated case management of therapy services, respite services and counselling.
- \$47.4 million (up to \$9.1 million) for post school programs. Over 1,000 school leavers are expected to join these programs in 2008-09.
- \$7.9 million for therapy places (up \$4.6 million), including occupational therapy, speech therapy and physiotherapy to help young children and people with a disability. An extra 840 therapy places in 2008/09 will take the total number of therapy places provided since the beginning of 2006/07 to 1,440.
- \$7.8 million (up \$5.1 million) to provide places in day programs. An extra 340 places in day programs will be delivered in 2008/09, taking the total number of places delivered to 520.
- \$5 million over four years (\$1.5 million in 2008/09) to provide intensive assistance for 410 children and their families with managing problem behaviours, both at home and at school.

Ageing

Budget of \$5.8 million has been allocated for ageing grants.

The ideas from *Ageing 2030 — Creating the future* roundtable formed a key contribution to the whole-of-government strategy, *Towards 2030: Planning for our changing population*.

The strategy identifies short, medium and long term actions to ensure that NSW is prepared for the challenges which population ageing will bring.

The Ageing Program will be used to support some of the key innovations and demonstration projects identified in the strategy as well as continuing to support the peak organisations in ageing, and key elements of the NSW Dementia Plan.

The total expenditure in the HACC program in 2008-09 is estimated to be \$551.2 million (including funding allocated directly to the Department of Health), subject to a formal offer of funds from the Australian Government. An increase of \$37.2 million or 7.2 per cent on the 2007-08 Budget.

The NSW contribution will be \$223.7 million. The first year of the HACC Triennial Plan will roll out in 2008-09.

Commonwealth State/Territory Disability Agreement (CSTDA)

The NSW contribution to a range of programs under the CSTDA in 2008-09 is estimated at \$1,302.8 million.

Australian Government funding of \$205.9 million is also provided bringing the total funding under the CSTDA to \$1,508.7 million.

Capital expenditure

The capital expenditure for 2008-09 is \$115.2 million, an increase of 80 per cent on the 2007-08 capital expenditure.

The main projects are:

- \$35 million for accommodation facilities
- \$2.6 million for the implementation of stage two of the Client Information System.
- \$11.9 million to reconfigure the Grosvenor and Lachlan centres as specialist statewide accommodation services for people with complex health care needs and challenging behaviours respectively.
- \$13.9 million for the redevelopment of the Peat Island facility to a 100-bed aged care village and 20-bed cluster accommodation.
- \$35 million for acquisition, improvements or replacement of supported accommodation places for clients.

Home Care Service

The Home Care Service of NSW has projected expenditure of \$204.7 million in 2008-09. Home Care funding is \$5 million greater than that in the 2007-08 Budget, an increase of 2.5 per cent.

Home Care is expecting to deliver 3.99 million hours of service in 2008-09.

Note: The above are key extracts from the DADHC 2008-09 Budget Overview – this important announcement is available from the DADHC web site at http://www.dadhc.nsw.gov.au/NR/rdonlyres/CD3588A6-5D12-4B2E-A189-B28C648038FC/3674/DADHCBudget08_09.pdf

GLOBAL DISABILITY & AGEING FEATURED ORGANISATION

AGED CARE ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA

The peak national association representing the aged care services sector. A federated peak body, ACAA is the only organisation that represents care providers from the private and voluntary sectors on a national basis. ACAA provides a truly representative voice for the residential care industry to the Commonwealth and State governments, all associated agencies and professional bodies, via a structure of autonomous state association, and a national presence in Canberra. They provide support services to members, annual national and state conferences for professional development, trade exhibitions, study tours, publications, newsletters, and other events.

<http://www.agedcareassociation.com.au/> - national body

<http://www.acaansw.com.au/> - NSW association

<http://www.accv.com.au/> - Victorian association

GLOBAL SCHOLARSHIPS NEWS

Fulbright Scholarships

For professional development programs in the USA.

Open in July

Professional awards are available for those wishing undertake a program of professional development in the US

Applicants are required to give a detailed statement of their purpose in visiting the United States, to indicate how the proposed visit will further their professional development and will contribute to fostering improved understanding between the peoples of the two countries.

Applications must be supported by three referees' reports, commenting on the applicant's academic/professional qualifications, character, adaptability and the significance and feasibility of his/her proposal.

The award includes a travel and a monthly stipend allowance for the first year only. Applicants must be able to demonstrate that they have sufficient additional funds to provide adequate financial support for themselves and any dependants during their stay in the United States.

General awards open to all professional fields

The Commission will provide one general Professional Award in 2002. This award is for a person who is working as a practitioner in any of the professional fields.

Preference will be given to those who have a record of achievement and are poised for advancement to a senior management or policy role. Programs must include an academic component such as a short-course, and may involve other forms of professional experience, including visits to relevant organisations. While the program may include attending a conference, this does not fulfill the academic requirements of this award. (See Educational

Information for Australians Wishing to Study in the U.S.A. for assistance in selecting an institution for your academic component.)

About the Australian Fulbright Program

The Fulbright Exchange program was established in 1946 as an initiative of Senator J. William Fulbright of the USA. Following the end of World War II he was committed to the ideal that mutual understanding through international education and exchange would “find ways and means of living in peace”. The Fulbright program has promoted educational and cultural exchange between America and over 140 countries throughout the world over the past 50 years. Leading international Fulbright scholars have included Boutros Boutros-Ghali, former UN Secretary General; Ruth Cardoso, scholar and former First Lady of Brazil; Milton Friedman, economist; Phillip Glass, composer; Roslyn Yalow, Nobel Prize in medicine; and Umberto Eco, writer.

The Australian Fulbright program was established through a Binational Treaty in 1949. Since then almost 2,500 Australians and over 1,700 Americans have been awarded prestigious Fulbright scholarships to study, research and travel in the respective countries.

Noted Australian Fulbright winners include The Hon Justice Robert Nicholson, Federal Court of Australia; Dr Keith Boardman AO, former Chief Executive CSIRO; Dr David Kemp, Minister of Education, Training and Youth Affairs; Christopher Kosh, author; Sir Ronald Wilson AC KBE CMG QC, former Judge, High Court of Australia and Chancellor Murdoch University; and Professor Nancy Millis AC MBE, Chancellor of La Trobe University.

Each year, up to 25 awards are made to Australian Post-Graduate Students, Post-Doctoral Fellows, Professionals and Senior Scholars. Awardees range from the traditional fields of law, engineering and science to the visual and performing arts.

Social Justice activist, Rev Father Frank Brennan AO, received a Fulbright scholarship to the highly respected Georgetown Law Centre at Georgetown University in Washington DC. “What you can’t underestimate is the wonderful opportunity it (being a Fulbrighter) gives you in opening doors to academic institutes and social institutions in the US”, he said. “As a Fulbright Scholar, everyone immediately understands what you mean and extends you a hospitality automatically”.

Funding for Fulbright awards in Australia is provided by the Australian and American Governments, along with a range of privately sponsored awards from organisations including the Australian National Training Authority, ATSI, BHP, Clough Engineering, Pratt Industries, and the Victorian WorkCover Authority.

The program also supports the Australian Fulbright (Alumni) Association (AFA), patroned by former Governor General, Rt Hon Sir Zelman Cowen, PC, AK, GCMG, GCVO, QC, DCL, which hosts visiting Fulbrighters and continues to promote mutual understanding.

Applications for Australian scholarships open on July 1st each year.

Further information on the internet - <http://www.fulbright.com.au>

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Human Services Victoria 2008-09 Budget

(Extracts from the DHS Budget Overview 2008-09 – congratulations to the Victorian government in recognizing the needs of people who have a disability and people who are ageing and people with a mental illness. Obtain the full and more detailed documents from the DHS web site at <http://www.dhs.vic.gov.au/budget/index.htm>)

The 2008-09 Budget increases the total Human Services portfolio budget by \$940.3 million to \$13.1 billion, a 7.7% increase on the 2007-08 budget. This year’s budget allocates a total of \$492.5 million over four years for new asset initiatives in Human Services, with \$ 1.8 billion over four years in funding for new Human Services output initiatives.

Victorian Mental Health Reform

The 2008-09 State Budget allocates a total of \$111 million to seed mental health reforms in Victoria. This includes \$76.6 million over the next four years for a package of measures to commence significant reform of mental health services across Victoria. This is in addition to \$6.6 million for postnatal depression as part of *Healthy mothers and babies* initiative and \$8.3 million to fund expansion of mental health services. This is in addition to \$34.4 million over four years to provide essential infrastructure to support the reform.

Victorian Disability Services Boost

The State Budget allocates \$44.4 million in 2008-09 (\$233.4 million over five years) to continue the reform and enhancement of disability services in Victoria.

This investment is in addition to an extra \$19.9 million for 2008-09 (\$80.4 million over four years).

The additional funding for disability services over five years includes \$5 million allocated in 2007-08 to provide additional support through the aids and equipment program and capital funding of \$60 million for the strategic replacement and realignment of shared supported accommodation and development of new accommodation options for young people with disabilities currently residing in or at risk of entering residential aged care accommodation services.

The Budget provides an additional \$21.2 million in 2008-09 (\$88.2 million over four years) to fund individual support packages that enable people with a disability to exercise choice and control over their support arrangements. A pilot will also be undertaken to strengthen individualised planning approaches at key transition points to enable exploration of goals, needs and aspirations and a blend of informal, community based and disability supports for people with a disability. This funding includes:

\$17 million in 2008-09 (\$70.6 million over four years) for additional Individualised Support Packages that will enable an additional 340 people with a disability to access a range of individualised and flexible support options based on their preferences and needs. The initiative will support people with a disability with complex needs to access a range of independent living arrangements.

\$4.2 million in 2008-09 (\$17.6 million over four years) to pilot enhanced individualised planning. This initiative will provide timely assistance to individuals and their families which better tailors supports, particularly at key transition stages of the life-cycle.

The Budget provides an additional \$12 million in 2008-09 (\$40.4 million over four years) to support non-government organisations (NGOs) in delivering effective and efficient disability services. Specifically, this funding addresses the pressures faced by NGOs in providing attendant care related services, as well as building capability and capacity of NGOs to reform and reorientate service delivery models to more individualised service and funding arrangements. This includes

\$9 million in 2008-09 (\$37.4 million over four years) to support the ongoing viability and sustainability of NGOs in funding additional costs associated with the provision of attendant-care and related in-home support services. And includes provision of

\$3 million in 2008-09 to assist the NGOs in the transition to individualised funding approaches which enable more flexible, community-based and individually focused models of service delivery.

The new budget funding for disability supports includes an immediate one-off funding boost of \$5 million in 2007-08 to increase the number of people with disabilities, chronic illness and the frail aged assisted by the Aids and Equipment Program. This funding is in addition to the \$3.9 million committed for 2008-09 under Labor's Financial Statement 2006 for aids and equipment and vehicle/home modifications and will improve access to high cost items required by people with complex disability support needs.

The 2008-09 Budget provides an additional \$3 million (\$12.5 million over four years) to deliver 330 episodes of respite that are flexible and responsive to individual and carer needs and are based on individualised planning.

In 2008-09 the Government will provide \$500,000 (\$1 million over two years) to enhance on-line respite information services and enable access and coordination of respite services. The introduction of a statewide approach to on-line respite information services for Disability Services including links to other State and Commonwealth funded respite services.

The important role of carers will be further supported by the introduction of the Carers' Reward Card. The 2008-09 Budget commits \$2.5 million over four years to support the introduction of a Carers' Reward Card to recognise the contribution of carers.

Funding of \$2.4 million will be provided in 2008-09 (\$10 million over four years) to provide intensive support to eligible young people to develop their job skills and achieve a sustainable and long-term employment outcome. The 2008-09 Budget also provides an additional \$1 million (\$4.16 million over four years), building on the LFS3 commitment of \$4 million for 2008-09 to address the demand for the ABI: Slow-To-Recover service and provide additional ongoing capacity for the ABI program.

The Budget provides an additional \$2.7 million in 2008-09 (\$8.4 million over four years) to build the capacity of the community to improve access and participation of people with disabilities.

The Budget is also providing \$50 million dollars in 2007-08 to the Disability Housing Trust to replace 38 supported accommodation facilities over the next three years in partnership with the Department.

The Government is also investing a further \$10 million in 2007-08 in *my future my choice*, the young people in residential aged care initiative, which will deliver new community-based purpose built accommodation for 43 younger people with disabilities who are currently residing in or at risk of entering residential aged care accommodation services, through capital funding partnerships with non-government disability support providers.

Victorian Aged Care

The Budget additionally commits \$69.1 million over four years to enhance infrastructure for our senior Victorians. The 2008-09 State Budget allocates an additional \$11 million, being the second tranche of \$83 million over four years committed in 2007-08 to the Home and Community Care (HACC) program.

The 2008-09 State Budget further strengthens the Government's commitment to helping Victorians remain independent in their own homes and communities by allocating \$6 million in 2007-08 towards the establishment of a regional food kitchen. This will be a centralised facility to improve the management, efficiency, cost effectiveness and production of plated meals for HACC delivered meals service and other community care programs for 14 current local government area service providers. The 2008-09 Budget commits a further \$69.1 million to enhancing infrastructure for our Senior Victorians.

GLOBAL DISABILITY & AGEING BOOKS GUIDE

Check out the extensive AusMed PUBLICATIONS CATALOGUE at <http://www.myspace.com/ausmedpublications>

Some of the titles include:-

Infection Control in Residential Aged Care, Practical Approaches to - 2nd edition This book is an essential guide to infection control for all staff engaged in residential aged care and a wide range of other care settings. Endorsed by Royal College of Nursing Australia. Now in a 2nd edition it remains a core text. The author is a popular teacher who works for Barwon Health. He is well known and highly regarded by infection control nurses throughout Australia. Author: Kevin J. Kendall

Keeping in Touch - with someone who has Alzheimer's - 1st edition This title offers a recourse for both professional carers and family members to assist in the nurturing of people with dementia. It explains how a 'line' of communication can be maintained with a person who is seemingly in another reality. This book looks at the broad use of communication and ways of keeping in touch with a person who suffers from dementia. Author: Jane Crisp

Living Dying Caring - Life and Death in a Nursing Home - 1st edition An intelligent book that looks at reflective care of older persons. Based on the practical experiences within a nursing home, it offers reflections on relationships, particularly at the time of a residents death. Beautifully written and ideal for those who enjoy and get much reward from working with older people. Authors: Jennifer Richmond, Rosalie Hudson

Nursing Dictionary - 2nd edition Low cost and effective nursing dictionary. Contains more than 700 pages. Small size means it is easily portable. Gives quick information. Two colour forms with illustrations. Editor: U. N. Panda

GLOBAL DISABILITY & AGEING GUIDE TO POLICIES & GUIDELINES

Health Care Guidelines for Children with Down Syndrome
provided by the National Down Syndrome Congress USA.

[Healthcare Guidelines \(PDF\)](#)
[AAP Guidelines](#)

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GLOBAL ONLINE DIRECTORIES GUIDE

[Access Aware](#)

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2008-09 National Disability Conference Funding Program - Applications for funding under the 2008-09 National Disability Conference Funding Program are now closed. Reference information is available on the [National Disability Conference Funding Program](#) page.

Intervention Support Program

Dept of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations. The purpose is to improve the educational opportunities, learning outcomes and personal development of children and students with disabilities.

Capital Grants for Projects at Non-Government Centres – Closes August

Young Children with Disabilities (YCWD) - Main Funding Round – Closes September

Young Children with Disabilities (YCWD) - Late Funding Round – Closes March

Children in Residential Care (CIRC) - Closes September

Non-School Organisations (NSO) – Closes September

Further information <https://www.det.nsw.edu.au/eas/isp/#Capital> or email interventionsupport@det.nsw.edu.au

NSW DADHC Tenders & Grants

Community Participation Program

Closing Date 14 July 2008

Obtain further details direct from NSW DADHC web site.

[Cover Letter](#)

[Request for Tender](#)

[Application Form](#)

[Budget Form](#) (updated 26/06/08)

[Questions and Answers Information Sheet 1](#) (updated 10/06/08)

[Questions and Answers Information Sheet 2](#) (updated 17/06/08)

[Questions and Answers Information Sheet 3](#) (updated 19/06/08)

[Update 1](#) (updated 26/06/08)

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GLOBAL DISABILITY & AGEING RESEARCH NEWS

International Workforce Survey in Aged Care

(your chance to contribute to international research)

ACAA is working with the International Association of Homes and Services for the Ageing (IAHSA) to conduct a cross-national study of the long-term care and home care paraprofessional and nurse workforce in countries throughout Europe and Australia.

It is recommended that the Director of Nursing, Home Care Supervisor/Home Help Supervisor or equivalent, complete the survey. A few questions may require input from other staff, such as the nursing staff and human resources.

The survey can be completed by clicking on the following link

<http://www.aahsa.org/surveycreator/I.dll/JGsA58370B61WZD9U7992J.htm>

Diverse strategies for diverse carers: the cultural context of family carers in NSW Beatriz Cardona, Dr Sharon Chalmers and Dr Brett Neilson Centre for Cultural Research, University of Western Sydney

s.chalmers@uws.edu.au Completion Date: June 2006 The project investigated the impact of cultural factors on the caring experience, and the use of services by carers from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds. Report: [Diverse strategies for diverse carers: the cultural context of family carers in NSW](#)

Annotation: Psychopathology in Children with Intellectual Disability

EM Dykens University of California at Los Angeles, U.S.A. [The Journal of Child Psychology and Psychiatry and Allied Disciplines](#) (2000), 41: 407-417 Cambridge University Press Recent advances are reviewed in understanding the heightened prevalence of psycho-pathology and maladaptive behavior among children with intellectual disability. Researchers have traditionally emphasized measurement and prevalence issues, using either psychiatric assessments or rating scales to identify the prevalence of various problems in children with intellectual disability. Yet the time is ripe to shift directions, and identify more precisely why children are at increased risk for psychopathology to begin with. Although several "bio-psycho-social" hypotheses are reviewed, a particularly promising line of work links psychopathology to genetic intellectual disability syndromes. Psychiatric vulnerabilities in several syndromes are reviewed, as are the advantages of phenotypic work for understanding psychopathology among children with intellectual disability more generally.

<http://journals.cambridge.org/action/displayAbstract?fromPage=online&aid=10351>

Depression Is Associated With Decreased 25-Hydroxyvitamin D and Increased Parathyroid Hormone Levels in Older Adults Witte J. G. Hoogendijk; Paul Lips; Miranda G. Dik; Dorly J. H. Deeg; Aartjan T. F. Beekman; Brenda W. J. H. Penninx *Arch Gen Psychiatry*. 2008; 65:508-512. [ABSTRACT](#) | [FULL TEXT](#) | [PDF](#)

Palliative Care for People with Intellectual Disabilities and High Support Needs Seeta Durvasula Centre for Developmental Disability Studies, University of Sydney seetad@med.usyd.edu.au February 2005 This literature review examines palliative care and the needs of people with intellectual disability, especially those with high support requirements. Report: [Palliative care in people with congenital or acquired intellectual disability and high nursing support needs – a literature review](#)

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GLOBAL DISABILITY & AGEING FEATURED COURSE

The Spastic Centre Professional Development Calendar 2008

Some excellent professional development courses on offer in the second half of the year.

http://www.thespasticcentre.com.au/services/consultancies-actionpact_prof_dev_calendar_2008.pdf

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GLOBAL DISABILITY & AGEING EDUCATION RESOURCES GUIDE

CARERS RESOURCES from CARERS AUSTRALIA

Check out the Carers Australia web site for information for CARERS at <http://www.carersaustralia.com.au>

[If you are involved in supporting CARERS you may like to suggest they join the Carers Association in their state – it could prove to be a valuable peer support network and a source of more information like that below from their web

site that has been written just with them in mind. Membership is not expensive. Networking through peer support groups like this can just be that life line carers need when they are stressed the most. Editor]

The carers associations in each state and territory provide carers with referrals to services and practical written information to support them in their caring role. There is a wide range of information and resources available and carers can contact their nearest carers association on 1800 242 636* to obtain free information on a range of topics.

The following resources form the basis of the information packs that are available.

- [Taking care of yourself \(HTML\)](#) - [Adobe PDF version](#)**
- [Feelings \(HTML\)](#) - [Adobe PDF version](#)**
- [Taking a break \(HTML\)](#) - [Adobe PDF version](#)**
- [Services for you \(HTML\)](#) - [Adobe PDF version](#)**
- [Safety at home \(HTML\)](#) - [Adobe PDF version](#)**
- [Managing health care and medications \(HTML\)](#) - [Adobe PDF version](#)**
- [Legal arrangements \(HTML\)](#) - [Adobe PDF version](#)**
- [Managing money \(HTML\)](#) - [Adobe PDF version](#)**
- [Loss and Grief \(HTML\)](#) - [Adobe PDF version](#)
- [Supporting Carers in their Caring Role \(HTML\)](#) - [Adobe PDF version](#)
- [Palliative Care \(HTML\)](#) - [Adobe PDF version](#)
- Emergency care plan - [Adobe PDF Version](#)
- Caring for and supporting your parent or partner as they age - [Adobe PDF version \(NEW\)](#)

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Paralympic Talent Search

The Australian Paralympic Committee will be conducting sporting tests to help identify future Paralympic athletes. Some of the sports that will be targeted are athletics, cycling and swimming. For further information and for a registration form contact: Amy Winters Phone: 02 9704 0515 Email: amy.winters@paralympic.org.au Website: [Paralympic Talent Search](http://ParalympicTalentSearch)

14 July 2008

Education Expo

A mix of learning specialists and educational suppliers will be on show. Website: [Education Expo](http://EducationExpo)

24 – 25 July 2008

Better Practice Sydney

Aged Care conference. Contact our Better Practice events on (02) 8831 1028 or via email betterpractice@accreditation.org.au if you have any queries. **The Aged Care Standards and Accreditation Agency Phone Contact: (02) 8831 1028**

31 July 2008

Interchange Conference

This year's theme for the Interchange National Respite and Social Support Conference is "Re-thinking and re-shaping the future". The conference runs from 31 July to 2 August at the Twin Towns Resort, Tweed Heads. Website: [Interchange Conference](http://InterchangeConference)

1 August 2008

PANDDA 2007 DISABILITY CONFERENCE The Epping Club

(PANDDA is the Professional Association of Nurses in Developmental Disability Areas (Aust) Inc.) Further information at <http://www.pandda.net/> See the PANDDA 2008 Conference Registration Brochure & Form downloadable from their web site.

8 August 2008

Essential Skills for Disability Care Workers. CPR Update, OH&S, Clinical Observation

Global Advantage Education. Strathfield. Email for brochure & booking form GlobalAdvantage.Education@gmail.com

15 August 2008

Assist Self Medication & Medication Safety for Disability Care Workers.

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17-20 August 2008

Ageing and Spirituality: A Diversity of Faiths and Cultures

Rydgges Eagle Hawk Resort, Federal Highway, Canberra Charles Sturt University, St Mark's National Theological College and the Centre for Ageing and Pastoral Studies will present a four day conference on the importance of religion in ageing. For more information, contact Kathryn Clark, ph 6273 8551 or email caps@csu.edu.au

18-20 Aug 2008

Association of Childrens Welfare Agencies (ACWA) Conference

Darling Harbour Exhibition and Convention Centre, Sydney. There will be an exciting array of local, interstate and international speakers with a variety of presentation formats including keynote addresses, papers, workshops, discussion forums, posters and exhibitions [Click here for more information.](#)

25 – 30 August 2008

The IASSID 13th World Congress

International Conference Centre, in Cape Town, South Africa [Click here for the 13th World Congress update](http://www.iassid.org/index.php?module=ContentExpress&func=display&ceid=130)
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30 August 2008

Palliative Care Conference

Held in Melbourne over 3 days, this year's conference theme is "Partners across the lifespan". Website: [Palliative Care Conference](#)

1 – 3 September 2008

Brain Injury Australia National Conference 2008

2nd international combined arbias/Brain Injury Australia conference in Melbourne, September 1-3 Online registration is now open. Please [click here to register online.](#) (Please note online payment is via VISA and Mastercard only. All registrations are in Australian Dollars).

Please click here to [download a registration form](#) in PDF format (70KB). Web Site
http://www.bia.net.au/Conference_2008_Registration.htm

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