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## GLOBAL DISABILITY & AGEING NEWS

### National Disability Strategy

The National Disability Strategy sets out a ten year national plan for improving life for Australians with disability, their families and carers. It represents a commitment by all levels of government, industry and the community to a unified, national approach to policy and program development. This new approach will assist in addressing the challenges faced by people with disability, both now and into the future.

The Commonwealth, State and Territory and Local Governments have developed the Strategy in partnership under the auspices of the Council of Australian Governments (COAG). The Strategy is the result of a large nation-wide public consultation process, involving more than 2,500 people and was formally endorsed by COAG on 13 February 2011.

The Strategy is a ten year plan that sets out six priority areas for action to improve the lives of people with disabilities, their families and carers. These are:

- Inclusive and accessible communities—the physical environment including public transport; parks, buildings and housing; digital information and communications technologies; civic life including social, sporting, recreational and cultural life.
- Rights protection, justice and legislation—statutory protections such as anti-discrimination measures, complaints mechanisms, advocacy, the electoral and justice systems.
- Economic security—jobs, business opportunities, financial independence, adequate income support for those not able to work, and housing.
- Personal and community support—inclusion and participation in the community, person-centred care and support provided by specialist disability services and mainstream services; informal care and support.
- Learning and skills—early childhood education and care, schools, further education, vocational education; transitions from education to employment; life-long learning.
- Health and wellbeing—health services, health promotion and the interaction between health and disability systems; wellbeing and enjoyment of life.

The National Disability Strategy will guide public policy across governments and aims to bring about change in all mainstream services and programs as well as community infrastructure. It is the first time the Commonwealth, State and Territory Governments have agreed to such a wide ranging set of directions for disability.

Copies of the National Disability Strategy, including accessible formats, are available at the below links:

- [National Disability Strategy](#)
- [National Disability Strategy Summary](#)

A copy of the National Disability Strategy standard, Easy English, Braille, audio CD and summary documents may be requested by:

- Phone: 1800 050 009 (Monday to Friday 8:30am to 5:00pm)
- TTY: Phone 1800 555 677 and ask for 1800 050 009
- Email: [nationaldisabilityst@fahcsia.gov.au](mailto:nationaldisabilityst@fahcsia.gov.au)

For more information on [FaHCSIA web site](#)

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## GLOBAL DISABILITY & AGEING NEWS

### UNICEF appoints Senior Adviser on Children with Disabilities

UNICEF has appointed Ms. Rosangela Berman-Bieler as a Senior Adviser on Children with Disabilities, in the Gender, Rights and Civic Engagement Section of the Division of Policy and Practice at their Headquarters in New York. Ms. Berman-Bieler is a Brazilian journalist, publisher and disability rights advocate, who is known internationally for her work on disability issues and participation in the negotiations on the CRPD. She has worked for various international and UN agencies, focusing on disability, inclusive development and poverty alleviation.

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## GLOBAL DISABILITY & AGEING IN THE MEDIA

### Housing - Ageing policy

One of Australia's leading housing research experts has called for aged housing to become the centrepiece of ageing policy. Read the full article at [Australian Ageing Agenda article](#)

### Alarming figures on aged care supply and demand

A new report released today forecasts that demand for residential and community aged care services in Australia will greatly outstrip supply over the next 40 years, driven mainly by the increasing prevalence of dementia and an outdated planning policy. Based on current government policy, the shortfall could be as many as 279,000 aged care places nationwide by 2050, according to the report, which took into account places in high and low care as well as [CACP](#), [EACH](#) and [EACH-D](#) packages. Read the full article at [Australian Ageing Agenda article](#).

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## GLOBAL DISABILITY & AGEING FEATURED ORGANISATION

### International Disability Alliance (IDA)

<http://www.internationaldisabilityalliance.org/>

IDA promotes the effective and full implementation of the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities worldwide, as well as compliance with the CRPD within the UN system, through the active and coordinated involvement of representative organisations of persons with disabilities at national, regional and international levels.

Established in 1999, the International Disability Alliance (IDA) is the network of global and regional organizations of persons with disabilities (DPOs) promoting the effective implementation of the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities. IDA currently comprises eight global and four regional DPOs, with two other regional DPOs having observer status.

With member organizations around the world, IDA represents the estimated 650 million people worldwide living with a disability. This is the world's largest – and most frequently overlooked – minority group.

### Disability Rights Bulletin

The Disability Rights Bulletin is a regular bulletin produced by IDA and intended for experts advocating for the rights of persons with disabilities, in particular within the Geneva-based global human rights machinery.

To access past issues of the Disability Rights Bulletin

<http://www.internationaldisabilityalliance.org/resources/disability-rights-bulletin/>

Disability Rights Bulletin February 2011 ([PDF version](#) or [Word version](#))

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## **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 for its sponsored disability & nursing staff after two years of work with the company.

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

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## **GLOBAL DISABILITY & AGEING NEWS**

**Disability Discrimination Commissioner released a guideline that will assist building professionals**

Disability Discrimination Commissioner, Graeme Innes, released a guideline that will assist building professionals and those concerned with access to better understand how the Premises Standards apply to new and upgraded public buildings.

The Disability (Access to Premises – buildings) Standards 2010 (the Premises Standards) commence on 1 May 2011.

[Disability \(Access to Premises - buildings\) Standards 2010](#)

"There is no doubt that the commencement of the Premises Standards will herald the most important and widespread improvements in building access Australia has ever seen in terms of improvements in the accessibility and safety of all new and upgraded public buildings", said Commissioner Innes. "These changes to the way buildings are designed and built will improve the opportunities for people with disability to participate in and contribute to the economic, cultural, social and political life of our community as equal citizens", the Commissioner said.

Commissioner Innes said that the changes will benefit every Australian and help in creating a more sustainable built environment capable of responding to our changing circumstances and our family and community needs.

Their introduction will in many cases require the development of new skills, knowledge and approaches by those in the building industry including developers, designers, architects, builders, project managers, certifiers and building operators.

The Guideline on the application of the Premises Standards is available online at

[www.humanrights.gov.au/disability\\_rights/standards/PSguide.html](http://www.humanrights.gov.au/disability_rights/standards/PSguide.html)

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10 – 11 May 2011.

## The BIG Event 2011 – Self-directed Support: Making it Happen.

Ryde/Eastwood RSL Club, Sydney. (just near West Ryde station)

Steve Dowson from the UK, speakers from across Australia, people with disability, families, carers, advocates, policy makers, support services, government and administrators to explore self-directed support in NSW.

email [michaelb@pwd.org.au](mailto:michaelb@pwd.org.au) web [www.incontrol.org.au](http://www.incontrol.org.au)

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*See attached program and registration forms*

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## GLOBAL SCHOLARSHIPS NEWS

### Mental Health Coordinating Council Scholarship Applications for 2011 Now Open

MHCC has additional scholarship places available in the following streams:

- Certificate IV in Mental Health
- Diploma
- Management

Applications open **11 April 2011** and close **6 May 2011**. Clinical and Training and Assessment scholarship places will become available again at the end of 2011.

**Eligibility Criteria:** Scholarships will be open to a range of workers in community organisations (non government, not for profit) whose primary role has a strong focus on working with clients with mental health issues. Applicants must be an Australian citizen or permanent resident and be able to study in 2011. Each stream has additional selection criteria specific to that stream. You will find a more detailed explanation of eligibility criteria within the handbook for that stream.

**How to apply:** Each stream has a separate handbook and application form. You must read the handbook before filling out an application form to ensure you are eligible to apply. You can read the handbook and download an online application form by clicking on the scholarship stream. If you have any questions after you have read the handbook call (02) 9555 8388 ext 116.

<http://www.mhcc.org.au/learning-and-training/scholarships.aspx>

Check out our **Global Scholarships Guide** at [http://www.globalcarestaff.com/page/scholarship\\_guide.html](http://www.globalcarestaff.com/page/scholarship_guide.html)

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## GLOBAL DISABILITY & AGEING NEWS

### **A better start for children with disability**

From 1 July 2011, eligible children will be able to access financial assistance and Medicare rebates under the **Better Start for Children with Disability** initiative. CentreLink Pulse article

[Continue reading.](#)

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## GLOBAL DISABILITY & AGEING NEWS

### **ON WITH THE SHOW**

**Friday 27 May 2011 7.30pm**

*The residents who have a disability and staff of the Metro Residences, DHS Ageing Disability & Home Care and Imprint Productions present a show to remember.*

Venue: Hills Centre, Carrington Road, Castle Hill.

Tickets: \$22 (no concessions), Free parking on site, Accessible venue and amenities.

Box Office: 1300 182 388 or online [www.the.hillscentre.com.au](http://www.the.hillscentre.com.au)

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## GLOBAL DISABILITY & AGEING BOOKS GUIDE

**Educational Psychology Casework:** A Practice Guide, 2nd edition by [Rick Beaver](#) Paperback: £19.99 / \$32.95 April 2011. ISBN: 978-1-84905-173-6 [Information](#)

### **Mental Health Aspects of Autism and Asperger Syndrome**

By Mohammad Ghaziuddin (2005), The first book to address the increasingly urgent need for information about psychiatric problems in people with autism spectrum disorders (ASDs), *Mental Health Aspects of Autism and Asperger Syndrome* systematically explains the emotional and psychological difficulties that are often encountered with ASDs. The author, an experienced psychiatrist specializing in autism, describes each of the conditions that are commonly seen in autistic children and adults, including schizophrenia, depression, anxiety, and tic disorders, and gives sound guidance on their early detection and treatment. Easy to use and authoritative, this book is an essential tool for use by both family and professionals. ISBN: 978-1-84310-733-0. [More info](#)

[Group Music Activities for Adults with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities](#) by Maria Ramey May 2011, Paperback: £24.99/ \$39.95. ISBN: 978-1-84905-857-5

[Cognitive Behavioural Therapy with Older People](#). Interventions for Those With and Without Dementia. By Ian Andrew James. The development of 'ageless' mental health services means that an increasing number of clinicians are now required to work with older people. Cognitive Behavioural Therapy is recognised by all recent meta-analyses as the most effective therapy, yet few clinicians are trained specifically in its usage with the elderly. [more »](#) 2010, Paperback: ISBN: 978-1-84905-100-2

[Developmental Assessment of the School-Aged Child with Developmental Disabilities](#) A Clinician's Guide by M. S. Thambirajah. July 2011, Paperback. ISBN: 978-1-84905-181-1 (Available soon)

[Understanding Fragile X Syndrome](#) A Guide for Families and Professionals by Isabel Fernández Carvajal and David Aldridge. May 2011, Paperback: £12.99/ \$18.95 ISBN: 978-1-84310-991-4

### [Health of Australians with disability: health status and risk factors](#)

This bulletin is the first in a series about the health of Australians with disability. It examines how health problems affect health status of people with disability in Australia with a focus on prevalence and age at onset of some significant long term health conditions and relevant health risk factors and behaviours.

[The Social and Life Skills MeNu](#) A Skill Building Workbook for Adolescents with Autism Spectrum Disorders by Karra M. Barber March 2011, Paperback: £29.99/ \$49.95 ISBN: 978-1-84905-861-2

### **UNESCAP Publication on disability**

The UN Economic Commission for Asia and the Pacific has prepared a compilation of disability-related data and information, "Disability at a Glance 2010: A Profile of 36 Countries and Areas in Asia and the Pacific". Each profile contains 27 indicators that have been grouped according to the following seven subheadings: development indicators, demography and institutional framework, legislative and policy framework, national efforts to promote an inclusive society, financial commitment, and commitment to regional and international instruments on disability. A summary table is included to provide a bird's-eye view of the information and data available in each country and area with regard to definitions on disability and persons with disabilities, national coordination mechanisms, legislative and policy frameworks and national efforts to promote an inclusive society.

More information: <http://www.unescap.org/publications/detail.asp?id=1407>

[Music for Special Kids:](#) Musical Activities, Songs, Instruments and Resources by Pamela Ott March 2011, Paperback: £14.99/ \$24.95 ISBN: 978-1-84905-858-2

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## GLOBAL DISABILITY & AGEING GUIDE TO POLICIES & GUIDELINES

### **UN Women to strengthen its work on women with disabilities**

The recently created UN Women will expand its partnerships with the private sector and others to further include women with disabilities. Ms. Michelle

Bachelet, the new Under-Secretary-General and Executive Director of the organization, highlighted women with disabilities in her speech at the opening of the First Regular Session of the Executive Board of the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN Women) on 24 January 2011. In her statement, she recognized that since much of the work of UN Women will be to stimulate and support others to do what needs to be done, UN Women will build partnerships with Governments and civil society, with parliamentarians and community based leaders, targeting groups that are most excluded, including women with disabilities. To read Ms. Bachelet's entire statement, please visit:

<http://www.unwomen.org/2011/01/statement-to-the-first-regular-session-of-the-executive-board-united-nations-entity-for-gender-equality-and-the-empowerment-of-women/>

### **Flexible Respite Policy Position (Disability) for ADHC funded services: final version**

Ageing, Disability and Home Care (ADHC) have released the final version of Flexible Respite Policy Position (Disability) for ADHC funded services – see the document from National Respite Association Inc.

<http://www.interchangensw.com.au/aboutus/documents/FINALFlexibleRespitePolicyPositionJanuary2011.pdf>

### **World Social Security Report 2010/11. Providing coverage in times of crisis and beyond**

This is the first in a new series of biennial reports that aim to map social security coverage globally, to presenting various methods and approaches for assessing coverage, and to identifying gaps in coverage. Backed by much comparative statistical data, this first report takes a comprehensive look at how countries are investing in social security, how they are financing it, and how effective their approaches are. The report examines the ways selected international organizations (the EU, OECD and ADB) monitor social protection and the correlation of social security coverage and the ILO Decent Work Indicators. The report's final section features a typology of national approaches to social security, with a focus on countries' responses to the economic crisis of 2008 -- and the lessons to be learned, especially concerning the short- and long-term management of pension schemes.

### **National Code of Practise for Accessible Rail**

The Rail Industry Safety and Standards Board (RISSB) has just released a National Code of Practise for Accessible Rail. The document can be viewed here: [Accessible Rail Services Code of Practise](#)

### **Launch of the first World Disability Report** on 9 June at UN Headquarters

The CRPD has drawn global attention to the situation of persons with disabilities in their societies and mandates States parties to address these issues. A new publication, the first ever World Report on Disability, produced jointly by the World Health Organization and the World Bank, reviews evidence about the global situation of persons with disabilities, and offers directions for policy and practice to address exclusion. The report contains chapters on health; rehabilitation; assistance and support; enabling environments; education; and employment. Importantly, the report also includes the first new disability prevalence estimates since the 1970s and makes the case for better data collection. This pioneering report demonstrates how removing barriers, investing in rehabilitation and more accessible environments can enable millions of persons with disabilities to participate in education, employment and wider society. At the intersection of human rights, development, public health and disability studies, the World Report on Disability is an important publication for policy-makers, professionals, persons with disabilities and their families. More information:

[http://www.who.int/disabilities/world\\_report/en/index.html](http://www.who.int/disabilities/world_report/en/index.html)

### **Private employment agencies, temporary agency workers and their contribution to the labour market. WPEAC/2009**

Private employment agencies play an important role in the functioning of contemporary labour markets. They act as intermediaries in modern labour markets, allowing enterprises greater flexibility to increase or decrease their workforces, while ensuring for the workers sufficient security in terms of job opportunities and employment standards, including pay, working time and training.

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## GLOBAL ONLINE DIRECTORIES GUIDE

### Who's Who in Disability and Development

The World Bank offers an extensive list of links to mainstream organizations in the international development community. Many of these organizations include a focus on disability as one part of their activities. The list includes multi-lateral donors (development banks); bi-lateral donors (government agencies devoted to development); foundations; bibliographic sources; and more.

### **Way Ahead Directory: NSW Mental health services CD Rom**

The Way Ahead is a directory of mental health services available in book format or CD Rom. It has contact details for over 2000 organisations, groups and services in the mental health field. This includes community mental health teams, child, adolescent and family teams, hospitals, rehabilitation services, employment programs and other services. To purchase the Way Ahead, either download the [order form](#) or simply contact an Information Officer either [via email](#) or by phone on (02) 9339 6000.

**Crisis Support Contacts – Sydney** <http://www.sydneysingleparents.org.au/Crisissupport.html>

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## GLOBAL DISABILITY & AGEING GRANT NEWS

### **Brain Foundation Research Grant**

The primary objective of the Brain Foundation Research Grant Awards is to support individual researchers and research teams to conduct the highest quality research in brain illnesses and neurological disorders as well as brain and spinal injuries.

A subsidiary objective is to provide opportunities for early career researchers to gain initiating funding for projects with potential.

The 2011 Brain Foundation research grant categories are:

- Alzheimer's, Parkinson's & Other Neuro Degenerative Diseases
- Dystonia
- Cerebral Diseases
- Brain Tumours
- Epilepsy

- Neuromuscular Diseases
- Paediatric Neurology
- Neuro-trauma
- Headache and Migraine
- Neural Infections
- Other

Information: <http://brainfoundation.org.au/research/104-application-for-2010-research-grants>

Grant Guidelines: [http://brainfoundation.org.au/images/stories/research\\_grants/BF\\_2011\\_Research\\_Grant\\_Guideline.pdf](http://brainfoundation.org.au/images/stories/research_grants/BF_2011_Research_Grant_Guideline.pdf)

Contact Brain Foundation [grants@brinaustralia.org.au](mailto:grants@brinaustralia.org.au) (02) 9437 5967

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## 22nd PANDDA 2011 Conference Call for Abstracts due 8 May 2011.

**Professional Association of Nurses in Developmental Disability Areas (Aust).**

Submit Abstracts to

Dr Chris Atkins, Convenor Technical Program [healthteam@disabilityenterprises.com.au](mailto:healthteam@disabilityenterprises.com.au)

Web site [http://www.pandda.net/PANDDA/2011\\_Conference.html](http://www.pandda.net/PANDDA/2011_Conference.html)

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## GLOBAL DISABILITY & AGEING RESEARCH NEWS

### Older men and Home and Community Care services: barriers to access and effective models of care

Men's Health Information and Resource Centre School of Biomedical and Health Sciences University of Western Sydney This project investigated access to community care services by older men. The report discussed the appropriateness of existing service models to meet men's needs. "Male friendly" elements of service provision are described and practical strategies for delivering male friendly services are discussed. [Older men and Home and Community Care services: barriers to access and effective models of care](#)

### [National mental health report 2010](#)

The report provides a fifteen year view of trends and performance at the national and state and territory levels, over the period spanning the First, Second and Third National Mental Health Plans from 1993 to 2008. Extensive information is presented that describes changes in the resources and structure of mental health services in Australia since the commencement of the strategy.

**Community Aged Care Capacity Mapping** University of Technology (AccessUTS Pty Ltd) This project identified and mapped Community Care programs provided by State and Commonwealth Governments in NSW and developed a database for planning purposes. [Community Aged Care Capacity Mapping](#)

### Meta-analysis of Gray Matter Abnormalities in Autism Spectrum Disorder: Should Asperger Disorder Be Subsumed Under a Broader Umbrella of Autistic Spectrum Disorder?

Esther Via; Joaquim Radua; Narcis Cardoner; Francesca Happé; David Mataix-Cols  
*Arch Gen Psychiatry.* 2011; 68:409-418. [ABSTRACT](#)

**Futures Planning for Older Carers of Adults with Disabilities** Aged Services Learning and Research Collaboration (ASLaRC), Southern Cross University The project developed and trialed a model aimed at assisting older carer/s to plan ahead for a future time when they may not be able to continue to provide the level of care required for the adult with disabilities. [Futures Planning for Older Carers of Adults with Disabilities](#)

## Databases/Online Journals - State Library eResources

These internet links and databases can help you find information on your research topic by providing references to web content, journal or newspaper articles, or to other sources such as reports, conference proceedings and government publications. To only view databases or links, **search** for your subject and select either **Databases only** or **Links only**.

All databases are available for use at the Library with [access to databases from home](#) available for selected databases for registered NSW residents.

To use the online databases, you must be registered as a State Library client and agree to the following [Conditions of Access](#).

[Access State Library eResources here.](#)

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## GLOBAL DISABILITY & AGEING FEATURED COURSE

### Master of Disability Studies (Distance Education)

University Of Newcastle [Faculty of Education and Arts](#)

The Master of Disability Studies provides a mix of theoretical and practical content. It is designed for professionals who are either working, or who aspire to work in the disability field in either a "hands-on", or managerial capacity.

<http://www.newcastle.edu.au/program/11378.html>

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## GLOBAL DISABILITY & AGEING EDUCATION RESOURCES GUIDE

### Managing Challenging Behaviours DVD

This DVD will provide individuals with a variety of options to prevent and/or reduce the possibility of the occurrence of Challenging Behaviours . It will also discuss how to be proactive in your approach instead of reactive, and how to empower the individual to be more responsible for their own behaviour. The techniques used can be transferred to many situations involving both children and adults exhibiting Challenging Behaviours. Price: \$299

[http://www.educonsult.biz/asp/descriptions/product\\_info.asp?ID=60](http://www.educonsult.biz/asp/descriptions/product_info.asp?ID=60)

### Respite Coordination Competency Development Project

Three draft national units of competency reflecting the functions of an assessment, carer support and respite coordination work role have been developed for addition to the CHC08 Community Services Training Package.

After extensive consultation with the industry through forums, presentations and online surveys CS&H ISC has developed final draft units of competency which has been reviewed and signed off by the project's Industry Reference Group (IRG). The units will be submitted for endorsement and will be available midyear.

Assessment, Carer Support and Respite Coordination Competency Development [Scoping Report](#) - July 2010.

Three new proposed final draft units of competency:

- [CHCRCP401A](#) - Use telephone communication skills to assess caller's needs
- [CHCRCP402A](#) - Conduct assessment of carer's needs
- [CHCRCP403A](#)- Support carers to access information and services

## **Sports CONNECT Webinar series.**

The Australian Sports Commission has a web based Sports CONNECT Webinar series aimed at helping service providers provide more opportunities for people with disability to participate in sport and active recreation. By joining in the webinar, participants will be able to communicate with people from the disability sector and sport organisations involved in adapting and modifying activities.

In addition, they will be given practical examples of how working together can result in getting people with disability involved in their local community.

You can open the hyperlink below, then click on the webinar series tab at the beginning of the page to register for each topic that interest you:

[http://www.ausport.gov.au/participating/disability/get\\_involved/webinar\\_series/more\\_about\\_webinars](http://www.ausport.gov.au/participating/disability/get_involved/webinar_series/more_about_webinars)

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## **Getting hired. A trainer's manual for conducting a workshop for job-seekers with disabilities**

The purpose of the job-seekers' workshop is to assist people with disabilities in finding and keeping employment in the formal sector and addresses the unique barriers that disabled people often face when seeking jobs.

This guide aims to help trainers help people with disabilities get hired by teaching job-seeking skills. This manual is designed for job placement or employment officers, social workers, staff who work at organizations of and for people with disabilities and others who want to provide job-seeking skills training and workshop. The purpose of the job-seekers' workshop is to assist people with disabilities in finding and keeping employment in the formal sector and addresses the unique barriers that disabled people often face when seeking jobs. The companion Getting hired: A guide for job-seekers with disabilities can be used along with this manual.

## **Getting hired. A guide for job-seekers with disabilities**

This manual, used as a companion to training manual Getting hired: A trainer's manual for conducting a workshop for job-seekers with disabilities, can be helpful to organizations of people with disabilities, placement agencies, non-governmental organizations and community organizations.

## **Fact Sheets On Health Problems**

Published by NSW Council for Intellectual Disability

Health problems Fact Sheets from <http://www.nswcid.org.au> web site

[Children - signs of illness](#)

[Adults - signs of illness](#)

[Ageing and health](#)

[Dental care](#)

[Causes of intellectual disability and health care](#)

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**2 – 3 May 2011**

**NSW HACC & Community Care Conference.** Evolving Face Of Community Care. Sydney Convention & Exhibition Centre, Darling Harbour, Sydney. Aged & Community Services Association of NSW & ACT Inc. 02 8754 0400  
[events@agedservices.asn.au](mailto:events@agedservices.asn.au)

**2 – 3 May 2011**

**National Disability & Carers Congress.** Etihad Stadium, Melbourne. National Disability Services. The National Disability and Carer Congress is the **ONLY** conference of the year to examine, discuss and debate what the National Disability Insurance Scheme will mean for you. Participants will analyse the Productivity Commission's draft report on Disability Care and Support. <http://www.nds.org.au/events/1290993506>

**5 – 6 May 2011**

**National Disability Services Conference 2011.** Sydney. Anne Thornton on 08 9208 9807 or [anne.thornton@nds.org.au](mailto:anne.thornton@nds.org.au).

**5 - 6 May 2011**

**Understanding Mental Illness Seminar for Nurses. Melbourne.** Ausmed Conferences.  
<http://www.ausmed.com.au/nursing-conferences-australia/understanding-mental-illness-seminar.html>

**8 May 2011**

**PANDDA 2011 Conference Call for Abstracts due.** Professional Association of Nurses in Developmental Disability Areas (Aust). Submit Abstracts to Dr Chris Atkins, Convenor Technical Program

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**10 – 11 May 2011.**

**Australian Network on Disability Annual Conference.** Dockside Conference Centre, Cockle Bay, Sydney. *Conference on disability targeted at employers.* <http://www.and.org.au/content/view/418/1/>

10 – 11 May 2011.

**The BIG Event 2011 – Self-directed Support: Making it Happen.**

Ryde/Eastwood RSL, Sydney. Steve Dowson from the UK, speakers from across Australia, people with disability, families, carers, advocates, policy makers, support services, government and administrators to explore self-directed support in NSW. **Proudly sponsored by [www.GlobalCareStaff.com](http://www.GlobalCareStaff.com)**  
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11 – 14 May 2011.

**2011 Biennial AGOSCI Conference.** Adelaide Convention Centre South Australia.

<http://www.agosci.org.au/conf2011.htm>

11 – 14 May 2011.

**National AAIMHI Conference: Growing Up Solid: Integrating Emotional & Mental Health Throughout Infancy, Childhood & Adolescence.** Perth, Western Australia. Australian Association for Infant Mental health Inc. in conjunction with RANZCP. Royal Australian & New Zealand College of Psychiatry. <http://www.aaimhi.org/conferences.php>

16 May 2011

**4<sup>th</sup> Neurosciences Symposium.** Kerry packer Auditorium, PRA Hospital, Missenden Rd, Camperdown. Contact Nadia Schweizer 02 9515 6111 Pager 88073

16 - 22 May 2011

Schizophrenia Awareness Week

17 – 20 May 2011.

**Alzheimer's Australia 14<sup>th</sup> National Conference.** Brisbane Convention Centre Queensland.

<http://www.alzheimers.org.au/national-conference.aspx>

17 & 24 May 2011

**Supporting People with Intellectual Disability who are at Risk of Contact with the Criminal Justice System – ADHC** Offices Wagga Wagga Department of Human Services: ADHC, Office of the Professional Practitioner. Training. No cost. Bookings [disabilityjusticetraining@dhs.nsw.gov.au](mailto:disabilityjusticetraining@dhs.nsw.gov.au)

18 May 2011.

**Drugs, Crime & Brief Interventions for Young Offenders.** Sydney Law School, New Law Building (F10), Eastern Ave, University of Sydney. 9.00am-5.00pm Sydney Institute of Criminology, University of Sydney.

<http://sydney.edu.au/news/law/457.html?eventcategoryid=35&eventid=7231>

18 May 2011.

**Mental Health Focus Workshop.** Gladesville. Les Maurer Education Centre, Schizophrenia Fellowship of NSW Inc, Building 37, Punt Rd Entrance, Old Gladesville Hospital, Gladesville. Remind Mental Health Training & Education, Schizophrenia Fellowship of NSW Inc. [Click here to download brochure and registration form 369.74 Kb](#)

19 – 20 May 2011.

**ACCA-NSW Congress 2011.** Sheraton On The Park. Sydney. Aged Care Association Australia. NSW.

21 May 2011.

**Schizophrenia Fellowship of NSW Annual Symposium.** Masonic Centre, Sydney.

<http://www.sfnsw.org.au/Awareness-Week/Awareness-Week-Symposium/default.aspx>

26 - 27 May 2011

**Understanding Mental Illness Seminar for Nurses. Brisbane.** Ausmed Conferences.

<http://www.ausmed.com.au/nursing-conferences-australia/understanding-mental-illness-seminar.html>

27 May 2011

**Mental Health and Intellectual Disability.** Liverpool Catholic Club. [www.schoolink.chw.edu.au/conference](http://www.schoolink.chw.edu.au/conference)

31 May – 1 June 2011.

**NDS NSW Regional Support Worker Conference.** Wagga Wagga. Wagga RSL Club. NDS New South Wales. To

register, please complete the [registration form](#) [Word 540KB] and return it to Megan Sandford at NDS NSW by fax; 02 9256 3123, email; [megan.sandford@nds.org.au](mailto:megan.sandford@nds.org.au) or post to GPO Box 2687 Sydney NSW 2001.

**5 - 8 June 2011**

**Festival of International Conferences on Caregiving, Disability, Aging and Technology.** Toronto, Ontario, Canada. March of Dimes Canada and Toronto Rehabilitation Institute. <http://www.ficcdat.ca/main.cfm?cid=1559>

**6 - 9 June 2011**

**AAIDD National Conference**, Crowne Plaza Hotel, St. Paul, MN, USA. [www.aaid.org](http://www.aaid.org)

**7 - 8 June 2011**

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**9 June 2011**

**Launch of World Disability Report 2011.** United Nations Headquarters. [http://www.who.int/disabilities/world\\_report/en/index.html](http://www.who.int/disabilities/world_report/en/index.html)

**22 & 23 June 2011**

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**23 – 24 June 2011.**

**HammondCare Aged Care Conference.** Australian Technology Park, Sydney. Rehabilitating Aged Care: A fresh look at Rehabilitation and Aged Care Services. <http://www.hammond.com.au/dsdc/pages/default.asp?pid=161>

**28 – 30 June 2011.**

**Disability Employment Services Conference.** Sofitel Brisbane Central. ACE National Services Inc. <http://www.acenational.org.au/conference/>

**29 June 2011 to 1 July 2011**

**Occupational Therapy Australia Conference & Exhibition.** Gold Coast Convention & Exhibition Centre. <http://www.ausotconference.com.au/>

**6 & 7 July 2011**

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**Australian Social Policy Conference.** University of New South Wales. Social Policy Research Centre (SPRC), University of New South Wales (UNSW). <http://www.sprc.unsw.edu.au/events/aspc-2011>

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