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GLOBAL DISABILITY & AGEING NEWS

National Disability Insurance Scheme

It has been a momentous few weeks in the campaign for the National Disability Insurance Scheme.

At the end of April, we rallied around Australia in our thousands. We held our breath one week later when the Federal government allocated \$1 billion in the May Budget to kick off the first stage of the NDIS.

The money, allocated over four years, includes the establishment of four 'launch sites' covering 10,000 people from mid-2013, rising to 20,000 by mid-2014.

But the NDIS is not locked in, not yet. Will you [ask five friends](#) to join the campaign to help keep the pressure on?

Federal funding doesn't extend beyond 2014. The Federal Government is not able to commit beyond the initial four launch sites until negotiations conclude with the States and Territories, and they've raised concerns about how they will fund their share.

Opposition Leader Tony Abbott recently re-affirmed the Coalition's commitment to the NDIS as recommended by the Productivity Commission in a letter to disability organisations and advocacy groups. But the Opposition has also pointed out that the \$1 billion is well below the funding recommended by the Productivity Commission.

The NDIS is still very much in its infancy. We need to keep campaigning so it is not get derailed by politicking, particularly as we inch closer to a Federal election.

Help lock in the NDIS for good. [Ask five friends](#) to join the campaign.

We need certainty that the NDIS will become a reality, so people get the support they need when they need it. We want all our politicians to support the NDIS and make the commitment to see it through.

As a matter of urgency, we want to see:

- The announcement of the locations of the four launch sites
- A detailed long term funding plan for the NDIS beyond 2014
- The creation of the independent National Disability Insurance Agency, and
- Legislation to enshrine the NDIS guaranteed, for good.

We want to demonstrate momentum continues to build for the NDIS, so [ask your friends to join](#) the campaign today. Remember, our target is 200,000 by the end of the year.

Thank you for your support.

John Della Bosca
and the Every Australian Counts Campaign Team
www.everyaustraliancounts.com.au

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One Peak Body To Represent Aged Services

Leading Aged Services Australia (LASA) is the new peak national association formed out of the merger of Aged Care Association Australia (ACAA), Aged and Community Care Victoria (ACCV) and Aged Care Queensland. The new LASA aims to represent all providers of accommodation, care and other services for older Australians. General Peter Cosgrove (former Australian Defence Force chief) will be the inaugural chair. Other Board positions are filled by the previous Presidents of the founding organisations and other sector representatives all with senior management backgrounds in the aged services sector. The inaugural CEO of LASA, Gerard Mansour, who will take up his post on 2 July. The new association was launch on 21 May at Parliament House Canberra. See their new web site at <http://www.lasa.asn.au/>

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GLOBAL DISABILITY & AGEING NEWS

RIO +20 Outcome Document includes disability

We are pleased to share the good news that disability has been included in the Rio+20 Outcome Document – a result of our joint effort in advocacy and partnership toward disability-inclusive development in the work of the United Nations and beyond.

The Rio +20 Outcome Document, "The future we want", has five specific references to disability, namely: responsibilities of States to respect, protect and promote human rights and fundamental freedom for all (paragraph 9); participation and access to information and judicial and administrative proceedings for promotion of sustainable development (paragraph 43); affirming that green economy policies in the context of sustainable development and poverty eradication should ...enhance the welfare of persons with disabilities (paragraph 58(k)); commit to promote an integrated approach to planning and building sustainable cities and urban settlements, and commit to promote sustainable development policies that support inclusive housing and social services; a safe and healthy living environment for all, particularly, disabled persons (paragraph 135) and finally, stress the need for ensuring equal access to education for persons with disabilities (paragraph 229).

We encourage you spread the news and begin to take measures to help translate these commitments into specific actions by Governments and all stakeholders in the international community to ensure that persons with disabilities – their rights, needs and concerns – are included in sustainable development policies and practices, everywhere.

Let's make the future we want!

Secretariat for the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities
Division for Social Policy and Development
Department of Economic and Social Affairs
United Nations

More information: <http://www.un.org/disabilities/default.asp?navid=46&pid=1600>

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New Centre for Disability Research And Policy

The University of Sydney, through the Faculty of Health Sciences aims to actively contribute to the challenge presented by the World Report on Disability (World Health Organization and the World Bank, 2011) to strengthen and support research on disability for evidence informed policy and practice development. To this end a Centre for Disability Research and Policy has been established within the Faculty of Health Sciences.

As an organisation at the nexus of research, teaching, policy and practice we have an important role to play in innovation and knowledge translation in the field of disability to the benefit of many. The establishment of the Centre is a significant strategic endeavor to bring together the University's leading expertise within the disability field to create a greater understanding of disability and improve disability services and programs by increasing the use of evidence and research in policy decisions in Australia and the Asia Pacific Region.

The Centre for Disability Research and Policy will maintain strong collaborations with a number of other units within the University of Sydney including Sydney Medical School, Sydney Law School, the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, the Menzies Centre for Health Policy Research and the Centre for Disability Studies. We will also partner with other academic centres both locally and internationally including the Queensland Centre for Intellectual and Developmental Disability (University of Queensland), Centre for Developmental Disability Health (Monash University), Centre for Disability Research (Lancaster University, UK), the Department of Disability and Human Development (University of Illinois at Chicago, USA), National Centre for Parents with Disabilities (Berkeley, California), the Centre for Disability Studies (Leeds University, UK) and Norah Fry Research Centre (University of Bristol, UK).

In addition, our work will be informed and strengthened by our close collaboration with Disabled Peoples' Organisations, service providers, NGOs, governments, our local and international research colleagues and international agencies.

Streams of Work

Disability and disadvantage

Led by Professor [Eric Emerson](#), Professor and Chair in Disability Population Health

Disability services

Led by [Professor Roger Stancliffe](#), Professor of Intellectual Disability

Disability and development

Led by [Professor Gwynnyth Llewellyn](#), Professor of Family and Disability Studies and [Ros Madden](#), Director, Australian ICF Disability and Rehabilitation Research Program

Disability and mental health

Led by Professor Luis Salvador Carulla, Professor of Disability and Mental Health and [Professor Stewart Einfeld](#), Chair of Mental Health

National Disability Insurance Scheme

Led by [Professor Richard Madden](#), Professor of Health Statistics and [Ros Madden](#), Director, Australian ICF Disability and Rehabilitation Research Program

Further information at http://sydney.edu.au/health_sciences/cdrp/index.shtml

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GLOBAL DISABILITY & AGEING ISSUES IN THE MEDIA

CHW School Link Project

Through research, events and information provision this initiative from the Children's Hospital Westmead is all about supporting the mental health of children and adolescents with an intellectual disability.

[Click here](#) to visit their website.

Centrelink have launched a new website for people receiving the DSP called 'Pulse', [click here](#)

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GLOBAL DISABILITY & AGEING FEATURED ORGANISATION

Family Advocacy

<http://www.family-advocacy.com/index.php>

Family Advocacy is an independent, disability [advocacy](#) organisation. The organisation works with [families](#) in which there is a child or an adult with [developmental disability](#).

Our focus is to encourage and support families to speak up for opportunities for people with developmental disability to enjoy the same environment, lifestyle and living conditions that are available to the majority of Australians. This means we support the philosophy and practice of inclusion.

Family Advocacy has members and allies in all parts of NSW and across Australia.

The Odyssey Conference 2012. 9 and 10 August 2012

The Odyssey...celebrating achievements, progress and change.

Parramatta NSW. All families are welcome.

Speakers from overseas and across Australia will share real ways in which people with disability have taken control of their lives; how services have transformed to better meet the needs of the people supported; how families and services can work together in 'right' relationship; about daring to dream of high work place expectations; about people with disability studying at university; about developing community connections and about people with disability living in a home that suits them.

Two international key note speakers are: **Dr Micahel Kendrick** and **Dr Patrick Schwarz**.

<http://www.family-advocacy.com/conference-2012.html>

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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.

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

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New Versions of the Health & Community Services Training Packages

The new versions of the Health and Community Services training packages have been endorsed by the National Skills Standards Council and are now available on the training.gov.au website. HLT07 version 5 includes three new units and new skills sets along with modifications throughout all units associated with occupational health and safety, which became Work Health and Safety on 1 January in NSW this year. CHC08 version 4 includes one new qualification, 12 new units and several new skills sets along with the OHS/WHS upgrades. You can download a copy of the mapping document for each training package from our [website](#).

New units within the training packages are frequently developed in response to the research included in our annual Environmental Scan or EScan. This is a pivotal document within our Industry Skills Council. This year we've tried two new ways to ensure its content is easily accessible by producing a summary document of the report titled [At a Glance](#) and a three minute [YouTube clip](#) highlighting our population health and workforce challenges. [Let us know your thoughts](#) on both of these.

One key message that has been repeated in all our EScan reports is the looming shortage of skilled and qualified workers in our industries. There are currently 1.35 million paid community services and health workers in Australia, but a further 323,000 required by 2015. Yes, workforce numbers are increasing but not fast enough to match the accelerated rate of client numbers. The recently announced [budget](#) has shown great support for our Care industries, but one further step we'd like to see is a recruitment campaign to help address Australia's workforce challenge.

Rod Cooke, CEO, Community Services & Health Industry Skills Council.

Training Packages Endorsed

CS&HISC is pleased to announce the endorsement of the Health Training Package (HLT07) Version 5.0 and the Community Services Training Package (CHC08) Version 4.0. Changes include an update of the first aid and Workplace Health and Safety (WHS) units of competency.

[More](#)

National Information Forums – Training Packages are changing

A series of free National Information Forums are being held over the nation and explains the up-coming changes around streamlining in the training packages.

[Sessions are filling up fast – register today](#)

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GLOBAL DISABILITY & AGEING NEWS

Women and girls with disabilities

Gender perspectives on disability and the disability perspective on the situation of women and girls with disabilities

Women with disabilities face significantly more difficulties - in both public and private spheres - in attaining access to adequate housing, health, education, vocational training and employment, and are more likely to be institutionalized (see [footnote 1](#)). They also experience inequality in hiring, promotion rates and pay for equal work, access to training and retraining, credit and other productive resources, and rarely participate in economic decisionmaking (see [footnote 2](#))

Promoting gender equality and empowerment of women is essential to the achievement of the internationally agreed development goals, including the Millennium Development Goals. Women and girls with disabilities experience double discrimination, which places them at higher risk of gender-based violence, sexual abuse, neglect, maltreatment and exploitation. The global literacy rate is as low as one per cent for women with disabilities, according to a UNDP study (see [footnote 3](#)). The World Bank reports that every minute more than 30 women are seriously injured or disabled during labour and that those 15-50 million women generally go unnoticed (see [footnote 4](#)).

- [International normative framework on women and girls with disabilities](#)
- Panel Discussion on [Peace and Development – Leadership of Women with Disabilities](#)
- Interactive panel discussion on “[Cross-sectionalities of gender, disability, and development: Towards equality for women and girls with disabilities](#)”
- [Internet resources on women and girls with disabilities](#)
- [On-line discussion group and network](#)
- [WomenWatch: Women with disabilities](#)

Read this and more at the United Nations Enable web site <http://www.un.org/disabilities/default.asp?navid=37&pid=1514>

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GLOBAL SCHOLARSHIPS NEWS

Fulbright Professional Scholarship

Fulbright Professional Scholarships are available to Australian citizens, in junior to mid career positions, poised for advancement to a senior role from the private, public and not-for-profit sectors (outside academe), or junior to middle level academics whose professional focus is industry related and whose research and sharing of results within the industry is clearly outlined. As a guideline, Professional Scholars are generally aged between 30-45 years. The scholarship supports a 3-4 month program of professional development in the United States.

Application proposals must include an educational component (such as a short-course and/or research) and identify a potential U.S. host institution at which the applicant would spend a significant period of their scholarship. It may also involve other forms of professional experience including visits to relevant organisations. While the program may include attending a conference, this does not fulfil the educational requirements of the scholarship. The Professional Scholarship does not fund postgraduate (i.e. Masters or PhD) study programs.

Applications reopen on 1 June 2012 for the 2013 Scholarship Period.

For further information and application forms <http://www.fulbright.com.au/scholarships/australian/professional.html>

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Disability Support Pension customers can work more hours

From 1 July 2012, Disability Support Pension (DSP) customers will be able to work up to 30 hours a week and receive a part pension, subject to the income test. Previously, if you were granted DSP on or after 11 May 2005, your payment would be suspended if you started working for 15 hours or more a week.

If you are currently suspended because you are already working between 15 and 30 hours per week, we will contact you before 1 July 2012 and invite you to check if you are eligible for a part pension.

If your income reduces your payment to zero, you can still get some assistance. Although your payment may be suspended for up to two years, you will be able to keep your Pensioner Concession Card for up to 12 months.

There may be some exceptions to this rule for people paid under an international social security agreement or people who are outside of Australia.

For more information visit humanservices.gov.au/dsp or call on 132 717.

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Australian Childhood Vision Impairment Register

Do you have a child with vision impairment? You might like to join the Australian Childhood Vision Impairment Register, sponsored by the Royal Institute for Deaf and Blind Children, in partnership with families, teachers, health professionals and low vision agencies. The Register is the first of its kind in Australia. Families are invited to register their children. The age range is 0-18 years, with any eye condition diagnosed by an eye doctor (ophthalmologist) that causes vision impairment in both eyes. Families can access the following website to begin the registration process at: www.vifamilynetwork.org.au

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GLOBAL DISABILITY & AGEING BOOKS GUIDE

Ageing, Disability & Spirituality.

Dr Elizabeth MacKinlay (ed). Looking at the effects of disability on people in later life, this book focuses on how people with either life-long disabilities or the acquired disabilities of ageing may live spiritually meaningful lives. Invaluable reading for practitioners who care for older people, as well as those in healthcare, chaplaincy, social and pastoral care, and diversional therapists. This book will also be of interest to older people, their families and friends. 2008 ISBN 978 1 84310 584 8 Available from the Centre for Ageing and Pastoral Studies (CAPS).

<http://www.centreforageing.org.au/html/publications.htm#aspc>

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

K. McVilly. First published 2003. 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: \$55.00 AUD (ASID Members) \$66.00 AUD (others) - includes GST and postage - Bulk discounts available. Ordering: [Click here to download an order form](#)

[Social Communication Cues for Young Children with Autism Spectrum Disorders and Related Conditions](#)

[How to Give Great Greetings, Pay Cool Compliments and Have Fun with Friends.](#)

Tarin Varughese. Children with Autism Spectrum Disorders are often unable to learn social skills from environmental cues and require direct teaching and lots of practice. This collection of social communication cues will enable parents and professionals to help children with social development difficulties navigate their social world and enjoy interacting with their peers. Each section begins with a simple social rule; the reason why the child may be having difficulty in this area is explained; and easy communication prompts and practice ideas are provided. The younger these skills are practiced, the happier and more self-confident the child. This program is ideal for early intervention as it can be used with children aged 2 and up. This practical guide will be an essential resource for parents, teachers, speech-language pathologists, psychologists and therapists looking for a simple program for teaching social skills to young children with Autism Spectrum Disorders. July 2011, ISBN: 978-1-84905-870-4, 144 pages, paperback, £12.99 / US\$18.95

<https://mail.google.com/mail/?shva=1#label/Source+BOOKS/1316ffdb12c8de17>

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GLOBAL DISABILITY & AGEING GUIDE TO POLICIES & GUIDELINES

Australasian Code of Ethics for Direct Support Professionals

Edited by Dr Keith McVilly & Assoc. Professor Christopher Newell (25 pages). SID has published a code of ethics to inform the education and training of direct support professionals. The code was co-launched in November 2007 during the Australasian-wide conference at Fremantle and the annual ASID DSW conference at Melbourne.

Twelve (12) ethical principles have been identified and a series of supporting guidelines developed. The guidelines are designed to inform the professional conduct of individual direct support professionals, for use as part of agency-based induction and in-service training and to inform curriculum content for TAFE, polytechnic, RTO and university courses. The content of this first edition of the *Australasian Code of Ethics for Direct Support Professionals* is based on information gathered during a series of workshops conducted between November 2002 and November 2006, and a further Australasian-wide consultation during 2007. The workshops were conducted in every state of Australia and on both the north and south islands of New Zealand. Over 300 people participated in the workshops and contributed to the consultation. Contributors were predominantly staff engaged in the provision of direct support of people with disability, living in the community. They came from government and non-government sectors, and were working in the areas of accommodation, day support, education, employment and advocacy. Purchase Price: \$5.50 AUD (ASID Members) \$11.00 AUD (others) - includes GST and postage - Bulk discounts available. **Ordering:** [Click here to download an order form](#). For bulk orders 500 copies or over \$4.50 per booklet (includes postage & handling). Contact: secretariat@asid.asn.au

Youth With Disability

Fact sheets by the Australian Clearing house for Youth Studies package includes the *Snapshot* – a short, sharp overview of the issues and the facts that you need to have at hand, and the *Briefing* – an in-depth analysis of the factors involved, policy implications, and a breakdown of what lies ahead for that issue.

[Youth disability - Snapshot](#)

[Youth disability - Briefing](#)

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GLOBAL ONLINE DIRECTORIES GUIDE

Australian Government Directory

Organisations & Associations: Disability Services

<http://www.agd.com.au/directory.php?dirpage=search&act=search&cat=001047>

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

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GLOBAL DISABILITY & AGEING GRANT NEWS

National Workforce Development Fund (NWDF) applications

The National Workforce Development Fund is now a rolling a fund, with applications being taken on an ongoing basis. NWDF can support training for new and existing workers, upskilling, and building leadership and management within your organisation.

Applications need to be submitted as soon as possible, [download](#) more information, send your enquiries to workforcedevelopment@cshisc.com.au or call 02 9270 6633 for support.

GLOBAL DISABILITY & AGEING RESEARCH NEWS

[Disability and Work](#)

This article looks at the characteristics of working-age people with disability and their involvement in the labour force.

Risk factors contributing to chronic disease

Chronic diseases are responsible for a large portion of the disease burden in Australia, and many are highly preventable by reducing known risk factors. This report shows that:

~Most people have at least one risk factor and more than 90% do not consume enough vegetables.

~Social disadvantage is associated with risky health behaviours.

~Nearly 60% of Australians do not undertake sufficient levels of physical activity, and many of us (almost 80%) usually spend 3 or more hours sitting during our leisure time. AIHW catalogue number (PHE 157). Click on the link to view the [report](#) and [media release](#).

National Disability Research and Development Agenda

The National Disability Research and Development Agenda, endorsed by Disability Ministers in November 2011, sets out national priorities, focus and direction for disability related research to improve the lives and outcomes for people with disability. The Research Agenda aims to increase the focus in research on issues facing people with disability. It also seeks to influence the inclusion and direction of research relating to disability across a range of national research initiatives and sectors.

 [National Disability Research and Development Agenda \[PDF\]](#)

 [National Disability Research and Development Agenda \[Large Print PDF\]](#)

 [National Disability Research and Development Agenda \[RFT\]](#)

Younger people with disability in residential aged care 2010-11

This bulletin presents data on the Younger People with Disability in Residential Aged Care (YPIRAC) initiative, which aims to reduce the number of people with disability aged under 65 who live in residential aged care. Between 2005-06 and 2010-11, an estimated 1,432 people have been helped, including 250 who have been moved out of residential aged care and into accommodation that better suits their situation, 244 who were successfully diverted away from entering residential aged care, and 456 who were provided with enhanced services while in residential aged care. AIHW catalogue number (AUS 155). Click on the link to view the [media release](#) and [report](#).

Hospitalisations due to falls in older people, Australia 2008-09

This report is the fifth in a series on hospitalisations due to falls by Australians aged 65 and older and focuses on 2008-09. For the first time in this report series, the rate of hospitalised fall injuries involving older females exceeded 3,000 per 100,000 population. The incidence of injury has continued to increase substantially over the decade to June 2009, despite a sustained decrease in the rate of hip fractures due to falls. Of note, falls that resulted in head injuries and those described as an 'other fall on same level' increased significantly over the study period. AIHW catalogue number (INJCAT 138). Click on the link to view the [report](#).

Research Resource: [Guidelines and Principles for the Development of Disability Statistics](#)

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ONLINE EDUCATION DIRECTORY up dated

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.globalcarestaff.com/page/online_education.html

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GLOBAL DISABILITY & AGEING EDUCATION RESOURCES GUIDE

New! Volunteer Tutor Resource

New tools, based on the Australian Core Skills Framework (ACSF), have been designed to assist volunteer tutors and community services and health workers use the newly developed units of competency in adult literacy and numeracy. [More](#)

How to Stay Safe During Home Visits Leaflet

Provide staff with valuable information that will help them be more effective in their jobs and with those in their care. Plan ahead with this checklist to ensure that home visits are safe and productive, and that you can avoid unnecessary risks. <http://www.crisisprevention.com/Products/How-to-Stay-Safe-During-Home-Visits-Leaflet>

The **Community Services and Health Industry Skills Council** (CS&HISC) have developed a YouTube clip to provide a snap shot of our annual EScan report (Environmental Scan). The clip identifies several key challenges facing the community services and health industries, which need to be considered and addressed.

These are:

- New models of service delivery that include a preventative and recovery focus, consumer-directed care, and culturally and linguistically diverse workers
- Developing leadership and management skills
- Broadening work roles to meet client demand
- Greater collaboration across levels of government in planning, funding and training
- Growing technological capability and skills
- Improving quality and consistency in VET training
- Integrating the tertiary sector and streamlining career pathways
- Recruitment and retention to meet workforce demand

To view the clip, visit:

<http://www.youtube.com/cshisc> (Escan 2012)

To download a copy of the EScan, visit:

https://www.cshisc.com.au/docs/research-reports/escan_2012_web.pdf

For a summary of the EScan, visit *EScan at a Glance*:

https://www.cshisc.com.au/docs/research-reports/centrefold_escan_2012_web.pdf

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GLOBAL DISABILITY & AGEING CONFERENCES GUIDE

See a more comprehensive listing of conferences at our web site

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

17 August 2012

ASID NSW ACT Conference 2012. Liverpool Catholic Club NSW & ACT, Through the looking glass – Turning all the talk, research and planning into action. Confirmed key notes include John Della Bosca and Professor Roger Stancliffe.

Australasian Society for Intellectual Disability, NSW. Inquiries sam.arnold@sydney.edu.au

Register online at <http://www.asid.asn.au/Events/EventsNewSouthWales/tabid/140/vw/4/itemid/16/d/20120817/Default.aspx>

8 – 13 July 2012

6th Baltic Sea Summer School on Epilepsy. Rostock, Germany. <http://www.epilepsiestiftung-wolf.de>

9 to 14 July 2012

IASSID World Congress. Halifax Nova Scotia. CA. USA. International Association for the Scientific Study of Intellectual Disabilities. <https://www.iassid.org/conference/index.php/HPC/2012IWC/index>

11 - 13 July 2012

Nurses in Management Aged Care Conference. Jupiters Hotel, Gold Coast. NIMAC. www.nimac.com.au/

13 - 14 July 2012

Parkinson's Australia National Conference. Brisbane Convention & Exhibition Centre, Queensland. www.parkinsonsconference.com.au/

17 - 21 July 2012

AHEAD Conference 2012. New Orleans, Louisiana, USA. www.ahead.org/conferences/future

19 - 20 July 2012

Better Practice Conference Sydney. Aged Care Standards and Accreditation Agency. Sydney. Inquiries: betterpractice@accreditation.org.au Web site <http://www.accreditation.org.au/education/better-practice-2012/>

22 - 27 July 2012

30th International Congress of Psychology ICC, Cape Town South Africa www.icp2012.com

25 - 27 July 2012

Australian Institute of Family Studies Conference. Melbourne Convention Centre, Victoria, Australia. AIFS.
<http://conference.aifs.gov.au/>

28 July to 4 August 2012

Biennial Conference of ISAAC. Pittsburgh, PA. USA. <http://www.isaac2012.org/>

30 July- 3 August 2012

PASSING . Pennant Hills, NSW. Foundations Forum. <http://longwalk.info/FF/html/workshops.html>

1 August 2012

Impact of Dementia for Professionals. Maitland, NSW. 1 pm – 3 pm. Hunter Dementia & Memory Resource Centre, Alzheimer's Australia. To Register call 02 4962 7000

1 – 5 August 2012 [Cerebral Palsy Awareness Week](#)

2 – 3 August 2012

Better Practice Conference Adelaide. Aged Care Standards and Accreditation Agency. Inquiries:
betterpractice@accreditation.org.au Web site <http://www.accreditation.org.au/education/better-practice-2012/>

6 - 8 August 2012

13th International Mental Health Conference. Outrigger Inn, Gold Coast, Queensland. www.anzmf.asn.au/conference

6 - 10 August 2012

38th Neuromuscular Sciences Annual Conference. Thredbo Alpine Hotel. www.sons.net.au

8 - 9 August 2012

Carex 2012 Sydney. Rosehill Racecourse, James Ruse Drive, Rosehill (Sydney). Free entry & parking. 9.30 am – 4pm.
<http://www.totalagedservices.com.au/carex.asp>

9 - 10 August 2012

Family Advocacy Conference 2012.

Parramatta. Institute for Family Advocacy & Leadership Development Association Inc. <http://www.family-advocacy.com/conference-2012.html>

9 - 11 August 2012

Early Childhood Intervention Australia 10th Biennial National Conference 2012. Burswood Entertainment Complex. Perth Western Australia. National Council Early Childhood Intervention Australia. <http://www.eciaconference2012.com.au/>

15 August 2012

[Brain Injury Awareness Week](#)

15 - 17 August 2012

World Down Syndrome Congress. Capetown, South Africa. http://www.ds-int.org/events/wdsc/11th_wdsc

17 August 2012

ASID NSW ACT Conference 2012.

Liverpool Catholic Club, Australasian Society for Intellectual Disability, NSW. Inquiries sam.arnold@sydney.edu.au
Register online at <http://www.asid.asn.au/Events/EventsNewSouthWales/tabid/140/vw/4/itemid/16/d/20120817/Default.aspx>

21 - 24 August 2012

Mental Health Services Conference 2012. Cairns Convention Centre, Queensland, Australia.
<http://www.themhs.org/2012-annual-conference>

22 August 2012

Alzheimer's Australia Training for Professionals – Below the Belt (Bladder & Bowel). Hamilton, NSW. 9.30am – 4.30pm. Hunter Dementia & Memory Resource Centre, 2 Percy St, Hamilton, NSW. Alzheimer's Australia. To Register call 02 4962 7000

22 - 24 August 2012

ARATA National Conference 2012, Bridging The Gap. Sydney, NSW. Australian Rehabilitation & Assistive Technology Association. www.arata.org.au

23 – 24 August 2012
21st Annual Spinal Injury Conference. Sydney. www.sina.org.au

28 August 2012
[Parkinson's Awareness Week](#)

29 August - 9 September 2012
14th Paralympic Summer Games – London UK <http://www.paralympic.org.au>

30 – 31 August 2012
Better Practice Conference Melbourne Aged Care Standards and Accreditation Agency. Inquiries:
betterpractice@accreditation.org.au Web site <http://www.accreditation.org.au/education/better-practice-2012/>

30 – 31 August 2012
8th Making Sense of Psychosis Conference. University of Auckland, New Zealand.

3 - 5 September 2012
ISCOS – International Spinal Cord Society. Westminster, London, UK.
<http://www2.kenes.com/iscos2012/Pages/Home.aspx>

4 - 5 September 2012
Philanthropy Australia Conference. Dockside Conference Centre, Cockle Bay Wharf, Sydney.
<http://www.philanthropy.org.au/conference/conference-2012/>

5 - 7 September 2012
National Homelessness Conference. Melbourne Convention & Exhibition Centre, Vic. Australia. <http://nhc.in-sync.com.au/>

5 - 7 September 2012
8th International Conference on Frontotemporal Dementias. Manchester, UK. <http://ftd2012.org/>

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