

NSW Disability Inclusion Plan

2026-2029

Easy Read Version





This document was written by the

Department of Communities and Justice.

When you see the word 'we', it means the

NSW Government.



We have written this information in an easy to read way. We use pictures to explain some ideas. We have written some words in **bold**.

We explain what these words mean.



This Easy Read book is a summary of the NSW Disability Inclusion Plan 2026-2029.



You can ask for help to read this document.

A friend, family member or support person
may be able to help you.

What is this book about?



This book is about the NSW Disability Inclusion Plan.

NSW DIP for short.



The NSW DIP explains what we are doing to make things easier for people with disability.



The NSW Government has written a new NSW DIP.



The NSW DIP has 30 actions we will do over the next 4 years.



We want to make sure our community is **inclusive** for all people with disability.

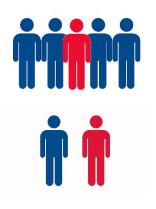


Inclusive means everyone can take part.

Understanding disability



There are many types of disability.



In NSW

- 1 in every 5 people has a disability
- half of the people aged 65 years and over have a disability
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- 1 in 4 school students has a disability
- 1 in 4 Aboriginal people has a disability.

A law for people with disability



In NSW there is a law for people with disability.

It is called the **Disability Inclusion Act.**



The Disability Inclusion Act says everyone should be able to do the same things in the community.



It is the job of the NSW Government to make this happen.

What people with disability told us



We talked to a lot of people with disability about what they thought we should put in the NSW DIP.



They told us the NSW DIP should be clearly written and easy to understand.



It should include the big actions that the NSW Government is doing.



They also told us we should meet with people with disability often to make sure the NSW DIP is being done the right way.

Our focus areas



There are **4 areas** we want to work on to make life better for people with disability.



 Change the way people think about people with disability



 Make better and safer communities for people with disability



 Make it is easier for people with disability to get jobs



 Make it easier for people with disability to access services

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We want the community to know more about

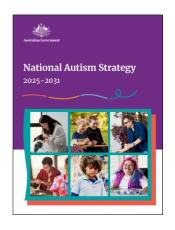
- the things that people with disability can do
- the rights of people with disability.



One of our actions is to tell the community about **Australia's Disability Strategy**.



Australia's Disability Strategy 2021–2031 is a plan to make life better for people with disability.



We will also support the National Autism Strategy 2025-2031.



The National Autism Strategy wants to make things better for Autistic people.



We will also strengthen Aboriginal organisations so they can better help Aboriginal people with disability.

2. Make better and safer communities for people with disability



We included this focus area because we want to create better communities for people with disability.



We want to make it easier for people with disability to

• have a good place to live



• go to school



• use public transport



• access health services



• join in all community activities.



We will make more places easy to go to for people with disability, like beaches and national parks.



We also want better and safer transport for people with disability.



We want to increase the number of community activities people can go to through the Companion Card scheme. For example, cinemas and museums.



We also want to make sure more people with disability can get housing that is right for them.

3. Make it is easier for people with disability to get jobs



We think it's important that more people with disability have good jobs.



Having a job you like helps people

- feel good about themselves
- have money to do things
- make choices and plans
- be part of the community



We will trial Workplace Adjustment Passports.

A Workplace Adjustment Passport explains what changes people with disability need to do their jobs.



We also want to make sure there are more people with disability on NSW Government boards and committees. This is so that more people making important decisions understand disability.



We will encourage the companies we buy things from to employ people with disability.

4. Make it easier for people with disability to access services



We want to make sure people with disability have the information they need to make decisions.

We also want to make sure people with disability can use the services they need.



We will make sure more NSW

Government information is in Easy Read.



We will do more to make sure people with disability have good quality and safe health care.



There will be more opportunities for students with disability to learn in their schools.

NSW DIP and Disability Inclusion Action Plans



NSW Government departments and local councils will also be developing plans that talk about how they will help people with disability.



These plans are called **Disability**Inclusion Action Plans.

DIAP for short.



The DIAPs will focus on the same 4 areas as the NSW DIP.

Useful information



The NSW DIP also has a section called Useful information.



This section has a list of other important plans for people with disability.



You can find a list of useful information and phone numbers at the back of the NSW DIP.



The photos of the trains and beach were provided by Transport for NSW and Destination NSW.