Disability Royal Commission Interim Update

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Northern Territory

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The Northern Territory Government wrote this.

We call it NT Government for short.

When you see the word **we** it means the NT Government.



We wrote this in an easy to read way.

We use pictures to explain some ideas.

Bold Not bold We have some words in **bold**. This means the letters are thicker and darker.

These are important words.



This is an Easy Read summary of another document.

This means it has the most important ideas.



You can look at the other updates in Easy Read.

They have information about

- All governments working together
- NDIS
- States and territories.

www.dss.gov.au/DRC-Aus-Gov-Response



You can ask for help to read this document. You can ask

- A friend
- Family members
- A support person.



We recognise Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people as the **Traditional Owners** of the land we live on.



They were the **first people** to live on and use the

- Land
- Waters.

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Disability Royal Commission



The **Disability Royal Commission** looked at how people with disability are treated.

We call it DRC for short.



DRC wrote a report.

The report was split up into 12 parts.



The report had **recommendations**.

Recommendations are ideas to do things better.



The report had a lot of recommendations.

This will help things be better for people with disability.



We want Australia to be a place where people with disability

Are safe



• Have their **rights** protected

Rights are **rules** about treating everyone

- Fair
- Equally.



We want Australia to be a place where people with disability

• Are respected



• Can take **risks**

Risks are doing things and something bad might happen.



• Live the lives that they want to.



This would make Australia an **inclusive** place for everyone.

Inclusive is when everyone

- Can take part
- Feel like they **belong**.

Government responses



Governments read the recommendations.

Governments wrote what they think about the recommendations.

They put this in a report.

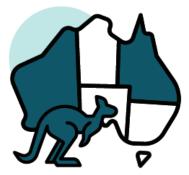


The report was shared on 31 July 2024.

All governments worked on this report.

That is

- Australian Government
- State and territory governments.



State and territory governments also wrote their own reports.



To get ideas on what to do better the government will work with

• People with disability



Disability Representative Organisations



• Disability advisory groups.

Advisory groups are groups of people who know a lot about something.



This update talks about **some** things the **Northern Territory Government** has done so far.

It does **not** talk about **all things** the NT Government is doing.

Safer schools



On 2 January 2024 new laws started in the NT.

The new laws are in the Education Act 2015.



An Act can

- Create new laws
- Change old laws.

The new laws will focus on keeping children



- Safe
- Happy
- Supported

In all schools in the NT.



All schools in NT that are **not** government schools need to meet **the registration standards**.



Registration standards are a list of rules that the schools need to follow.

This means they can

- Keep
- Get

Registration as a **non** government school

Complaints



The NT Department of Education made a new framework in July 2024.

We call it the framework



The framework will help families and schools work together about **complaints**.

When you make a complaint you tell someone that something

- Has gone wrong
- Is not working well.

Everyone has the right to make a complaint.

Jobs in the government

June 20

On 20 June 2024 the NT Government shared

• The Northern Territory Public Sector EmployAbility Strategy 2024 to 2027.

We call it the EmployAbility Strategy.



The EmployAbility Strategy will help more people with disability have jobs in the government.



The NT Government wants workplaces to

• Be inclusive

This means workplaces where all employees are

- Welcome
- Supported to do their best.



• Have safe **environments**.

Environments are the space around you. This could be

- Inside
- Outside.



The NT Government wants people with disability to have an equal chance to

- Work with us
- Do well at work
- Achieve their goals

Contact us



You can contact us if you **need more information**.



You can send us an email.

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You can look at our website.

www.dss.gov.au/DRC-Aus-Gov-Response



You can get help and support.

www.dss.gov.au/help-and-supportdisability



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