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## **NDIS Now Available Throughout NSW**

NSW continues to lead Australia in transitioning to the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) with it rolling out across the State today, announced Minister for Disability Services Ray Williams.

This is an important milestone for people with disability in NSW, who have previously not had access to the Scheme, to have more choice and control over their supports. “At last, people with disability throughout the State are at the centre of decision-making and are empowered to live the life they choose,” Mr Williams said. “More than 90 per cent of participants are satisfied with the Scheme in the State. We will continue to work hard with participants and the sector to deliver an NDIS people with disability deserve.”

Mr Williams said the NSW Government will also continue to provide information to people with disability, their families and carers to help them prepare for the NDIS. “We are committed doing everything we can to ensure people are ready to take advantage of all that the NDIS can deliver.”

**More than 54,000 people with disability have already joined the NDIS in NSW, with a further 60,000 expected to join in 2017-18.**

Read the Ministers Media Release [here](#).

## **Disability News**

### **[NDIS specialist disability accommodation: pathway to a mature market](#)**

The Pricewaterhouse Coopers Consulting (Australia) and Summer Foundation report states that "the current status of the disability accommodation market is fragmented and underfunded. As a result, it is an inflexible market where consumers have limited choice in their housing options."

One of the most important tasks for the NDIS is to create more housing for people with disability, especially for young people living in aged care. Specialist Disability Accommodation (SDA) payments are the mechanism the NDIS is using to stimulate the creation of this housing. This report aims to provide the information necessary to see the SDA market grow. It shares our vision of what a mature SDA market will look like, highlights five different types of market players involved and shares lessons learnt from the growth of other markets. It also identifies nine key enablers that can be used to monitor the maturity of the SDA market. Read more from the **Analysis & Policy Observatory** web site [here](#).

## **Featured Conferences**

**9 - 11 October 2017**

**Pacific Rim International Conference on Disability and Diversity.**

Honolulu, Hawaii, USA. [web site](#)

10 - 11 October 2017

**PANDDA Disability Nurses Conference.**

Parramatta, NSW. [web site](#)

## Disability News

### **NDIA Gets New CEO as Construction Begins on Head Office**

The former managing director of Bankwest, Rob De Luca, has been announced as the new CEO of the National Disability Insurance Agency, on the same day the “first sod” was turned on the site of the new headquarters in Geelong.

Social Services Minister Christian Porter congratulated De Luca on his appointment and said he would guide the National Disability Insurance Scheme during a “critical transition to full roll out across Australia” over the next three years. “During Mr De Luca’s time as managing director, Bankwest invested significantly in improving the experience for its one million customers.”

The announcement comes as construction on the NDIA’s new headquarters officially got underway. The new building is set to house 560 staff responsible for delivering the \$22 billion National Disability Insurance Scheme to 460,000 Australians.

Read the full Probono article [here](#).

## Disability News

### **Transfer of clinical services from FACS NSW to The Benevolent Society**

Government run clinical and allied health services in NSW transferred to The Benevolent Society after 28 July 2017. The Department of FACS (Family and Community Services) selected The Benevolent Society as the provider for NSW’s disability clinical and allied health services. This coming together of the two teams means that the whole organisation will be transitioning to a new way of working. “We believe that that taking on disability clinical and allied health services – the 700 staff and 7,000 clients - will create a much stronger Benevolent Society and enable us to increase accessibility to services for more Australians,” added Ms Toohey. The Benevolent Society, Australia’s first charity, is now the largest provider of clinical and allied health services for people with disability in NSW. Read the full media release [here](#).

## Disability News

### **New Operators Announced For NSW State Disability Services**

Minister for Disability Services, Ray Williams, announced the successful providers to take over the operation of state supported accommodation services in Sydney and the Central Coast. These services are being transferred to the non-government sector to support the roll out of the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS).

Mr Williams said the successful providers Life Without Barriers, Cerebral Palsy Alliance and Achieve Australia, are organisations with a strong history of supporting people with disability and proven track records in regional areas. “Continuity of support for residents remains our highest priority. These operators already have a local presence and experience delivering accommodation services to people with disability,” Mr Williams said.

[Download or print this media release here](#)

## Disability & Ageing Issues In The Media

### **[Groups push for national retirement village regulation](#)**

The Commonwealth says it will look at new oversight measures for retirement villages following the Four Corners program, while seniors call for new national regulations. Read the full Australian Ageing Agenda article [here](#).

## [Half of providers report drop in home care clients: survey](#)

Just one in four providers say they have received new clients in the first two months of the government's revamped home care system, while half of existing providers report a drop in their packages, survey shows. Read the full Community Care Review article [here](#).

## [Consumer survey highlights confusion over home care packages](#)

The Department of Health says it is reviewing the letters it sends to consumers as part of the new home care system in light of research showing a significant proportion of older people are confused about how to access their package. Read the full Community Care Review article [here](#).

### Featured Organisation

## PANDDA

### Professional Association of Nurses in Developmental Disability Australia

A national professional body for nurses in the sector and membership is open to Registered, Enrolled and Assistants in Nursing. Student nurses are welcome to join. Members receive a newsletter and discounts at the annual conference.

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### Disability News

## New Disability Innovation Institute

Disability researchers at UNSW Sydney are putting the finishing touches to a ground-breaking initiative to help transform the lives of people with disability by harnessing research and innovation across all faculties and disciplines.

The Disability Innovation Institute at UNSW, to be launched this year, will be a platform to combine disability studies with STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Medicine) and HAS (Humanities and Science) research to design accessible and inclusive working, living and learning environments, generate innovative technologies and create inclusive law, policy, services, markets and communities.

The interdisciplinary institute will collaborate with people with disability to identify, understand and research solutions to the practical challenges experienced by people with disability. A Disability Inclusion Maker's Exchange will connect scholars, makers and users to develop long-lasting solutions to the practical challenges experienced by people with disability.

About one in five Australians – 4.2 million people or 18.5% of the population – identify as having a disability. That number will likely to grow as Australia's population ages, with one in two people predicted to develop an age-related disability over the next 20 years.

SPRC's Professor Karen Fisher says innovation is stimulated by unexpected connections and by necessity.

"Disability is one area where this happens," Fisher says. "But these innovations can have the potential for a much wider impact and use across society. Smart home technology is a good example. Another is electronic voting, which was developed for accessibility but is now extending to the rest of the electorate."

<http://newsroom.unsw.edu.au/news/social-affairs/new-disability-innovation-institute-will-transform-lives>

### Service users' perspectives on having choice and control in the new NDIS

A Melbourne Social Equity Institute research team recently embarked on a project to explore the degree to which the NDIS is achieving its aims and objectives from the perspective of people with disability using these services.

Introduced in 2013, the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) is the most significant reform of disability services in Australia in a generation. The scheme aims to increase both the funding available for disability services and the control that people living with disabilities have over the design and delivery of their care. It does this, in part, by handing greater control over care budgets to people with disabilities and their families so that services might be designed and delivered in a way that better meets their particular needs. With Australia recently ranked last in an OECD study of quality of life of people with disabilities, and with the significantly worse outcomes experienced by people with disabilities, the NDIS is a welcome reform.

The research team took a novel approach to the research process, which is participatory in nature involving community researchers with disabilities working with university-based experts. Involving people with disabilities in the research process improved the quality of the project in terms of our ability to collect and analyse evidence effectively.

Access the report pdf [here](#).

## NDIS Funding News

### NDIA ILC National Readiness round 2

The National Disability Insurance Agency (NDIA) has opened the second Information, Linkages and Capacity Building (ILC) National Readiness Grants round.

The NDIA will be accepting applications in Activity Area One of the ILC Policy - **Information, linkages and referrals** <https://ilctoolkit.ndis.gov.au/about-ilc/main-components-ilc>.

Up to \$25.3 million (inc. GST) is available in 2017-18, and up to \$4.7 million (inc. GST) is available in 2018-19 to support these ILC activities. Organisations will be able to apply for grants funding of up to 2 years.

Organisations are able to apply for a grant through the Community Grants Hub [www.communitygrants.gov.au/](http://www.communitygrants.gov.au/). Previous applicants are welcome to apply in this round.

Applications are now open and **close 2pm AEST on Friday 29 September 2017**.

More information, including the Grant Opportunity Guidelines, is available on the DSS Community Grants Hub website and the ILC Grants page on the NDIS website: [www.ndis.gov.au/communities/nr-grants.html](http://www.ndis.gov.au/communities/nr-grants.html).

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## Disability News

### Public Guardian and the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS)

When the Public Guardian is appointed with a services or advocacy function we will consent to the represented person becoming an NDIS participant. The Public Guardian will advocate for the participant's reasonable and necessary support needs, both current and future, to be built into their NDIS plans. Fact Sheet [PG & NDIS Factsheet](#). Further information [here](#)

## The role of Private and Enduring Guardians within the NDIS

If you are a private or enduring guardian for a person eligible for the NDIS you should contact the NDIA to let them know you are the legally appointed guardian. You can contact the NDIA on 1800 800 110. You should also let service providers know you are the legally appointed guardian. In your role as guardian you may be asked to provide consent for the person under guardianship to access NDIS funding. You should also be involved in plan development and providing consent to engage or cease services. Our [factsheet for private and enduring guardians](#) involved in the NDIS has more information.

## Books & Publications

### International aged care: a quick guide

This guide, prepared by the Australian Parliamentary Library, focuses on formal, government-approved care for older people. It does not cover informal care (such as care provided by relatives) or retirement villages. Download guide [here](#).

### Housing assistance in Australia 2017

This report presents information on trends and issues in housing policy, housing affordability and housing assistance provided to populations with special needs.

\* As housing and rental affordability declines, the need for housing assistance continues to increase, with 1.35 million recipients of Commonwealth Rental Assistance and around 394,000 households living in social housing.

\* Of those households who were recently provided assistance through social housing, the majority were identified as either homeless or at risk of homelessness.

**Download web report:** [Housing assistance in Australia 2017](#)

### [Elder abuse - a national legal response: final report](#)

The Australian Law Reform Commission was asked to consider Commonwealth laws and legal frameworks and how they might better protect older persons from misuse or abuse, and safeguard their autonomy. This report includes 43 recommendations for law reform. Download the report [here](#).

### [Youth mental health and homelessness report](#)

This Mission Australia report provides findings from the Mission Australia Youth Survey, showing that poor family functioning and serious mental illness are factors that impact on the risks of homelessness for young people aged 15-19 years living in Australia. Read more at [Australia Policy Online](#).

### [Housing and Indigenous disability: lived experiences of housing and community infrastructure](#)

This Australian Housing and Urban Research Institute study investigated the interconnections between housing, community infrastructure and quality of life for Indigenous people living with disability. The research highlights the need for specialist facilities for Indigenous people with disability designed and built in consultation with the local community and stakeholders, and that the NDIS understand and account for the challenges facing Indigenous people with disability. Download the full report [here](#).

### Housing affordability: report to the Premier

Glenn Stevens, the former Reserve Bank Governor's report to the Premier on NSW housing affordability policies and proposals. Read the report online [here](#).

## Policies & Guidelines

### [Developing the scale and capacity of Australia's affordable housing industry](#)

This Australian Housing and Urban Research Institute study investigated the capacity constraints affecting Australia's affordable housing industry, which is critical to addressing the housing needs of low-income Australians. Read Australian Policy Online article [here](#).

### [Guidance for providers on implementing workplace drug and alcohol policies](#)

Aged care peak body Aged & Community Services Australia (ACSA) has launched a new drug and alcohol policy resource for employers. Read the Australian Ageing Agenda article [here](#).

### [Directory - Australian Disability Enterprises](#)

Supporting Australian Disability Enterprises (ADEs) (not-for-profit organisations) as your first choice of suppliers helps provide jobs for people who have a disability. Search ADEs to see what products, processes and services they can provide your organisation. You might find your next printer, packaging or recycling supplier. Manufacturer of your custom designed goods or marketing materials. Marketing mailing services and more. Check out your local ADEs at <http://www.ade.org.au/ades-directory>

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Over 150 Australian artistes have been featured studio guests on the Alive 90.5 fm Australian Spectrum Show.

**The studio guests coming up include:** = Mike McClellan, Turner & Simmons, The Rockwells (Rockwell T James), OrcaBand, Franky Valentyn Project, Ken Davis, Blues Explosion, Blues Pirates, Paula McMahan, Toongabbie Music Club, Simon Kinny-Lewis, Chich & The Soul Messengers, Chris Turner, Martin Cilia, Chris O, Sydney Blues & Roots Festival, and many more in 2017-18. **Join our 12,000+ Facebook Likes** or follow our studio guest announcements at <https://www.facebook.com/Australian.Spectrum.Show.Alive90.5fm>

## Disability News

### **Psychiatric disability support services 2015-16**

About 96,300 people with a psychiatric disability made use of disability support services in 2015–16, at a rate of 402.4 per 100,000 population (or about 1 in 250 Australians). Psychiatric disability was the most frequently reported primary disability among people receiving non-residential disability support services, and the second most frequently reported for residential disability support services. The rate of non-residential service users with a psychiatric disability was 400.3 service users per 100,000 population in 2015–16; this was relatively stable between 2011–12 and 2015–16 (with an average annual increase of 0.9%). In contrast, the rate of residential service users (15.0 per 100,000 in 2015–16) decreased by an annual average of 2.5%. Group homes were the most frequently used service type by people with a psychiatric disability receiving residential services in 2015–16.

This Australian Institute of Health & Welfare web site section presents information on specialist disability support services, provided under the [National Disability Agreement \(NDA\)](#) to service users with a [psychiatric disability](#) either as their [primary disability](#) or as an [other significant disability](#). Unless otherwise stated, service users with psychiatric disability include all service users with psychiatric disability, regardless of whether it is considered a primary or other significant disability.

The information presented in this section has been extracted from the 2015–16 Disability Services National Minimum Data Set (Disability Services NMDS); comprising national administrative data on disability support services. The [data source](#) section provides further information on coverage, data quality, and other aspects of the Disability Services NMDS.

Access the various Australian Institute of Health & Welfare reports and statistics [here](#).

## Grant & Fund Raising News

### **Expressions of Interest for Supported Temporary Accommodation in NSW**

In 2017/18 the NSW Government is making up to \$10 million available to non-government organisations (NGOs) to provide Supported Temporary Accommodation through an Expression of Interest (EOI).

Temporary Accommodation (TA) is a critical component of the NSW Government's response to homelessness. It provides a safety net and ensures, wherever possible, that a person experiencing homelessness can be accommodated on any given night.

In 2016/17 FACS supported over 24,800 homelessness clients with TA. Over time the number and complexity of

clients have increased and there is now clear recognition within both FACS and the NGO sector that TA could play a greater role in providing support as well as shelter to those experiencing homelessness.

EOIs are now open for South West Sydney, Illawarra, and Southern Highlands, with other NSW regions to follow.

**Applications close 15 September 2017**

[Read more](#)

## **Crowdfunding and charities: Information for charities, donors and fundraisers about the use of crowdfunding**

Crowdfunding is an increasingly popular method of online fundraising for individuals, businesses, not-for-profits and charities. Generally it involves an individual or an organisation setting a fundraising target online and then asking the crowd of the internet for donations to reach that target. Crowdfunding provides fundraisers with an opportunity to communicate with, and potentially receive funds from, a wider audience than they would ordinarily have access to. Similarly, it also provides donors with a way to donate directly to a wider range of causes from all over the world. Although crowdfunding has the potential to provide great benefits for charities and donors, there are some aspects of the practice that people need to consider before embarking on a campaign or donating to a cause. [Download the Charities and crowdfunding guide \[PDF 210KB\]](#)

### Research & Demographic Reports

#### **Current NDIS can't provide decent jobs, researchers warn**

A research team led by UNSW's [Social Policy Research Centre](#) (SPRC) has examined the ability of the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) to provide decent jobs for disability support workers and sounded a warning on the developing problem of NDIS pricing.

According to their report, "*Reasonable, Necessary and Valued*", the pricing system does not cover the full costs of disability support and will fail to provide high quality services.

Key findings of the report on NDIS pricing arrangements include:

- Disability support workers are not allocated enough work time required to provide personalised, coordinated, responsive and safe services to people with disability.
- The legal employment entitlements of disability support workers can't be met.
- Casualisation is contributing to financial insecurity for workers.
- Pricing doesn't include training or further skills development of the disability support workforce.
- Disability support workers are accessing important training in unpaid time.
- Unpredictable shifts are leading to poor work-life balance.
- Physical injuries, exhaustion, stress and other negative psychological impacts arise from the combination of unsafe working conditions and high work intensity.

Read News item [here](#). The full report is available [here](#).

#### **Risk for Autism Spectrum Disorders According to Period of Prenatal Antidepressant Exposure: A Systematic Review and Meta-analysis.**

[Antonia Mezzacappa, MD<sup>1</sup>](#); [Pierre-Alexandre Lasica<sup>1</sup>](#); [Francesco Gianfagna, MD, PhD<sup>2,3</sup>](#); et al. There is a significant association between increased ASD risk and maternal use of antidepressants during pregnancy; however, it appears to be more consistent during the preconception period than during each trimester. Maternal psychiatric disorders in treatment before pregnancy rather than antenatal exposure to antidepressants could have a major role in the risk for ASDs. *JAMA Pediatr.* 2017;171(6):555-563. doi:10.1001/jamapediatrics.2017.0124 [Read the abstract here](#).

#### **[Census of population and housing: reflecting Australia - stories from the Census, 2016](#)**

This data summary looks at the key stories collected in the Census, including the number of Australians counted, where we live, how old we are, where we were born, our religion, income, living arrangements and our housing. [Census of Population and Housing: Reflecting Australia - Stories from the Census, 2016](#)

## **Real-World Effectiveness of Antipsychotic Treatments in a Nationwide Cohort of 29 823 Patients With Schizophrenia**

[Jari Tiihonen, MD, PhD<sup>1,2</sup>](#); [Ellenor Mittendorfer-Rutz, PhD<sup>1</sup>](#); [Maila Majak, MSc<sup>3</sup>](#); et al.

This database study of a nationwide cohort of patients using within-individual analysis to eliminate selection bias found that clozapine and long-acting injections of antipsychotic medications are associated with the lowest risk of rehospitalization and treatment failure. Clozapine and long-acting injections of antipsychotic medications were the pharmacologic treatments with the highest rates of prevention of relapse in schizophrenia. JAMA Psychiatry. Published online June 7, 2017. doi:10.1001/jamapsychiatry.2017.1322. [Read abstract here](#).

## **The burden of musculoskeletal conditions in Australia: a detailed analysis of the Australian Burden of Disease Study 2011**

This report presents findings from the Australian Burden of Disease Study 2011 on the burden of musculoskeletal conditions in Australia. **Download report:** [The burden of musculoskeletal conditions in Australia: a detailed analysis of the Australian Burden of Disease Study 2011](#)

## **Social security and welfare spending in Australia: assessing long-term trends**

This brief by the Tax and Transfer Policy Institute draws mainly on OECD data from 1980-2014 and on Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) data about social security payments to households. When spending trends are adjusted for data improvements, it can be estimated that spending on social security increased from 6.1% of GDP in 1980 to a peak of 8.1% of GDP in 1993. The peak is due to the effects of the deep recession at the time. Spending on social security then fell back to 6.2% of GDP immediately before the Global Financial Crisis (GFC) in 2007-08. Since then, spending has increased to 7.2% of GDP in 2014. Read the full report [here](#).

### **Featured Course**

## **First Aid & Resuscitation Course Guide**

Listed here are some providers of First Aid education and training available.

First Aid training is a fundamental duty of care responsibility for all workers in the fields of disability care, mental health services, child care, aged & dementia care, health care and other roles where you are responsible for the care of others or the public.

First Aid training may save the life of a loved one, family member, neighbours or someone in your care. Everyone should have First Aid training as a fundamental individual social responsibility.

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## **Statement of Attainment in Provide First Aid 357-R3021V01 (TAFE OTEN)**

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### **Education Resources**

## **Online education resource to deliver palliative care**

A new online resource has been launched to support aged care workers to deliver evidence-based palliative care to older Australians. [palliAGED](#) lead researcher Associate Professor Jennifer Tieman from Flinders University said the resource provides guidance to both the residential aged care and community care workforce to ensure staff deliver quality care at the end of life. Access the resources [here](#).

## **Dementia care tips for care staff working with CALD seniors**

A new smartphone app "Cultura" aims to help aged care workers with information and advice to understand and provide for the cultural needs of people with dementia. Access the App [here](#).



## **My Virtual Medical Centre.** <https://www.myvmc.com/>

Virtual Medical Centre is Australia's leading medical information website. It delivers the latest medical information written by medical professionals. The Virtual Medical Centre is free to access. Membership is available to everyone and is completely free. Choose to receive the fortnightly newsletter to stay up to date with the latest health news and be eligible to enter our ongoing fantastic member only competitions. [Sign up now!](#)

## **Fully Funded Dementia Care Online Courses**

Dementia Care AUstralia has been funded to provide a range of Dementia Care courses online. Further information available at <https://www.dta.com.au/>

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### **4 – 5 September 2017**

**I-Can V5 Facilitator Training.** Centre for Disability Studies, University of Sydney. [Registration here.](#)

### **5 September 2017**

**NDCO Seminar - Disability Advocacy in Education.** Centre for Disability Studies, University of Sydney.  
[Registration here.](#)

### **6 – 7 September 2017**

**Disability Employment Australia Annual Conference.** Brisbane. [Information](#)

### **7 September 2017**

**Disability Justice: Supporting Parents with Cognitive Impairment Through Care and Protection.**  
Parramatta, NSW. [Register](#)

### **7 – 9 September 2017**

**Asia Pacific Autism Conference.** International Conference Centre, Sydney. <http://www.apac17.org.au/>

11 September 2017

**Interface of the NDIS and the Child Protection and Family Support Systems.** Sydney. ACWA-CCWT.  
[Register here.](#)

11- 12 September 2017

**NDS WA Conference.** Crown Convention Centre, Perth, WA. National Disability Services. [Web site](#)

12 - 13 September 2017

**Understanding Home Care Quality Review.** Parramatta, NSW. [Register here.](#)

12- 14 September 2017

**ACSA National Summit.** Cairns Convention Centre, Cairns City QLD. <http://www.acsanationalsummit.com.au/>

13 September 2017

**Anxiety & Depression Workshop.** Centre for Disability Studies, University of Sydney. [Registration here.](#)

14 September 2017

**Disability Justice Program: Domestic Family Violence and People with Cognitive Disability.** Kempsey, NSW. ACWA-CCWT. [Register here.](#)

19 September 2017

**Developing Community Connections for people with a disability.** Dee Why, NSW. Resourcing Families.  
[Register here.](#)

19 September 2017

**Managing Aged Care Quality Accreditation Performance.** Parramatta, NSW. [Register here.](#)

19 – 25 September 2017

**International Week of the Deaf.** <http://wfdeaf.org/whoarewe/international-week-of-the-deaf>

20 September 2017

**Developing Community Connections for people with a disability.** Tumby Umbi, NSW. Resourcing Families.  
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21 September 2017

**World Alzheimer's Day**

21 September 2017

**Developing Community Connections for people with a disability.** Newcastle, NSW. Resourcing Families.  
[Register here.](#)

21 - 22 September 2017

**Better Practice in Aged Care.** Stamford Plaza, Brisbane City QLD. <https://www.aacqa.gov.au/>

21 - 22 September 2017

**Health Metrics World Conference 2017: Technology & Innovation for Health.** Crown, Melbourne, Vic.  
[Register here.](#)

25 - 27 September 2017

**Australian Social Policy Conference.** University of NSW Arts & Social Sciences, Sydney. [Web site](#)

26 September 2017

**Social Innovation Workshops.** Centre for Disability Studies, University of Sydney. [Registration here.](#)

5 October 2017

**World Cerebral Palsy Day.** <https://worldcpday.org/>

6 October 2017

**Cross Cultural Awareness Training: Working with Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Communities.**

Centre for Disability Studies, University of Sydney. [Registration here.](#)

8 October 2017

**World Sight Day.** <http://www.iapb.org/advocacy/world-sight-day>

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**Pacific Rim International Conference on Disability and Diversity.** Honolulu, Hawaii, USA. [web site](#)

10 October 2017

**World Mental Health Day.** [web site](#)

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**PANDDA Disability Nurses Conference.** Parramatta, NSW. [web site](#)

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**Understanding Home Care Quality Review.** Parramatta, NSW. [Register here.](#)

12 October 2017

**Research Fundamentals for Disability Service Organisations.** Centre for Disability Studies, University of Sydney. [Registration here.](#)

12 October 2017

**Creative Engagement in NDIS Planning.** Centre for Disability Studies, University of Sydney. [Registration here.](#)

15 - 18 October 2017

**LASA National Congress.** Gold Coast, Queensland. Leading Age Services Australia. [Details.](#)

16 - 17 October 2017

**Person-Centred Planning and Practice Workshop.** Darwin, Centre for Disability Studies, [Registration here.](#)

17 - 20 October 2017

**17th Biennial Alzheimer's Australia National Conference.** Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre. [Web site](#)

18 October 2017

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