



Australian Government
Department of Social Services

The Disability Royal Commission

Have your say about the recommendations
in the *Final report*

Easy Read version



How to use this document



The Australian Government Department of Social Services (DSS) wrote this document.

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



We wrote this guide in an easy to read way.

We use pictures to explain some ideas.

Bold
Not bold

We wrote some words in **bold**.

This means the letters are thicker and darker.



We explain what these words mean.

There is a list of these words on page **21**.



You can ask for help to read this document.

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

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The Disability Royal Commission's *Final report*



The Disability Royal Commission ran for more than 4 years.

Now it has ended.



A **royal commission** is how the government looks into a big problem.

It helps us find out:



- what went wrong



- how to make things better.



The Disability Royal Commission shared its *Final report* on 29 September 2023.

You can read it on the Disability Royal Commission website.

www.disability.royalcommission.gov.au/publications/final-report



The *Final report* is in 12 parts.

We call each part a volume.



The *Final report* includes 222 **recommendations**.

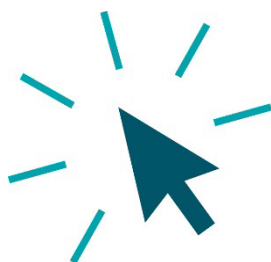


Recommendations are ideas about how to make something better.



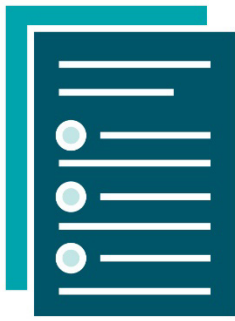
The Disability Royal Commission wrote *A brief guide to the Final Report*.

It explains what each volume is about.



You can find *A brief guide to the final report* on the Disability Royal Commission website.

www.disability.royalcommission.gov.au/brief-guide-final-report



The *Final report* also includes an executive summary.

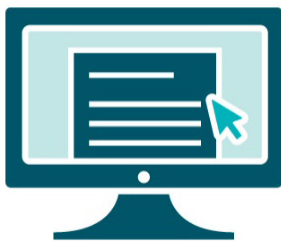
The executive summary explains:



- what each volume is about



- all of the recommendations.



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What happens next



The Australian Government wants Australia to be safer for people with disability.

All parts of Australia will have to work together, including:



- the Australian Government



- state and territory governments



- organisations



- **providers.**
Providers support people by delivering a service.



The Australian Government will make a plan about what each part of the government should change.



We want to work with people from the community to make this plan.

Our survey



The Australian Government made a survey about the recommendations from the Royal Commission.



The survey is open now.

It will close on Sunday 14 January 2024.



You can use the survey to share your own ideas.

Or you can share ideas for someone else.



Anyone can fill out the survey.

This includes:



- people with disability and their families



- organisations that speak up for people with disability



- providers and support workers



- other people in the community.



You can fill out the survey on the Engage website.

www.engage.dss.gov.au/drc



The survey responses will help the Australian Government write a response to the *Final report*.

How to use our survey



The survey has 4 parts.

Part 1 – About you

Part 1 includes questions about:



- you

or



- your organisation.



This will help the Australian Government understand who shared their ideas.



If you want to fill out the survey, you must answer the questions in this part.



We will keep your information safe.

Our 'privacy collection notice' explains the rules we have to follow when we collect your information.



You can read our privacy collection notice on our website.

www.engage.dss.gov.au/drcausgovresponse/privacy

Part 2 – Important recommendations



In Part 2 we ask you to tell us about the recommendations in the *Final report* that are most important to you.



You can choose up to 3 recommendations to share your ideas about.



You can tell us why these recommendations are important to you.



You don't have to answer this part if you don't want to.

Part 3 – Recommendations you do not support



In Part 3 we ask you to tell us about the recommendations you don't support.



You can choose up to 3 recommendations to share your ideas about.



You can tell us why you don't support them.



You don't have to answer this part if you don't want to.

Choosing recommendations



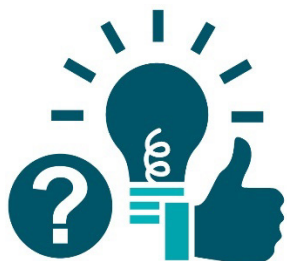
To answer Part 2 and Part 3, you need to tell us which recommendations you have ideas about.



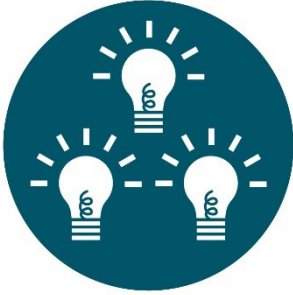
You can use the lists in the survey to choose recommendations.



First you should find the volume that the recommendation is in.



Then you should choose what the recommendation is about.



We have put recommendations that are similar into the same groups.

There is space for you to explain why you:



- agree with the recommendations



- do not agree with the recommendations.

Part 4 – Sharing more information



In Part 4 we ask if you want to share more ideas about the recommendations.



You can choose to upload more information.

This could include more information about:



- the recommendations that are important to you

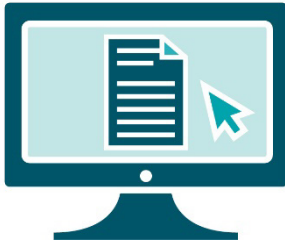


- the recommendations you do not agree with.



It can also include **evidence** to support your ideas. Evidence is proof that something is true.

You can upload different types of documents:



- PDF
- DOC
- DOCX
- RTF
- JPG



You don't have to upload more information if you don't want to.

Other ways you can share your ideas



You can share your ideas in an email.

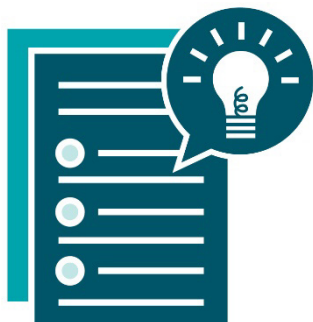
[**DRCResponseConsultation@dss.gov.au**](mailto:DRCResponseConsultation@dss.gov.au)



You can share your ideas in the mail.

Commonwealth Disability Royal Commission Taskforce
GPO Box 9820
Canberra ACT 2601

More information



You can find out more about how the Australian Government will respond to the recommendations in the *Final report*.



You can find Easy Read information on our website.

www.resources.fahcsia.gov.au/drc-engage/index.html

Support for you



The Royal Commission looked into issues that affect many people.



These issues might affect you.



You can get free counselling support if you need it.



Counselling support is when you:

- talk to someone about how you think and feel
- talk about ways to help you feel better.



You can visit our website to find support near where you live.

www.dss.gov.au/DRC-support-services

Word list

This list explains what the **bold** words mean.



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