

# WHAT IS VIOLENCE, ABUSE, NEGLECT AND EXPLOITATION?

**The Royal Commission wants to hear from people with disability who have experienced violence, abuse, neglect, and exploitation.**

We need the Disability Royal Commission because we know that people with disability from migrant and refugee backgrounds sometimes experience:

## **VIOLENCE**

When someone hurts you physically. For example, if someone pushes you, grabs you, or hits you.

## **ABUSE**

When someone is treating you badly. For example, if someone calls you names, yells or threatens you and makes you feel bad about yourself, or touches your body in a way you do not want to be touched.


## **NEGLECT**

When someone is not helping you the way they are supposed to help you. For example, if you are denied food, clothes or medication; if you are not allowed to see your friends or family; if you are left alone or don't have help to shower or go to the toilet.


## **EXPLOITATION**


When someone takes advantage of you. For example, when someone takes your money or Centrelink payments from you without your consent or knowing, or when someone uses you for their advantage.

**Submissions from advocates, support workers, family, and friends can be sent:**

 **In writing** via our online form [LINK/](#)

 **By emailing** [LINK/](#)

 **By phoning** 1800 517 199

 **By recording** your experiences and sending us the audio or video submission to GPO Box 1422, Brisbane QLD 4001.

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