

WHAT IS THE DISABILITY ROYAL COMMISSION?

In Australia, royal commissions are the highest form of investigation on matters of public importance. Recent inquiries and reports have shown that people with disability are more likely to experience violence, abuse, neglect and exploitation than people without disability. What we learn from the Royal Commission will help to inform Australian governments, institutions and the wider community on how to prevent, and better protect, people with disability from experiencing violence, abuse, neglect and exploitation in the future.

The Disability Royal Commission will look at how to:

- prevent, and better protect, people with disability from experiencing violence, abuse, neglect and exploitation
- achieve best practice in reporting and investigating of, and responding to violence, abuse, neglect and exploitation
- promote a more inclusive society that supports the independence of people with disability and their right to live free from violence, abuse, neglect and exploitation. The inquiry will cover all forms of violence against, and abuse, neglect and exploitation of, people with disability, in different locations and situations.

The Disability Royal Commission is independent of government. This means that people with disabilities and their families, friends and supporters, and industry can inform the Royal Commission about violence, abuse, neglect and exploitation.

NEDA strongly encourages people with disability from migrant and refugee backgrounds to tell your stories of being treated unfairly, as can family members and advocates.

The Disability Royal Commission wants to know about people's experiences of harm and unfair treatment:

- at schools, in the justice system or immigration detention
- in a group house or at a workplace
- at you own home



The Disability Royal Commission want to hear what people did to make things right for you, and what you think will improve the lives of people with disabilities.