

HOW TO MAKE A SUBMISSION TO THE DISABILITY ROYAL COMMISSION

Capricorn Citizen Advocacy wants to make sure people with a disability in the Rockhampton and Capricorn Coast regions have their experiences heard by the Disability Royal Commission.

WHAT IS THE DRC?

The Disability Royal Commission (DRC) is investigating reports of violence, neglect, abuse and exploitation of people with disability across Australia. It is separate to the government and it can make recommendations about what needs to be changed to make life better and safer for Australians with disability.

WHAT DOES THE DRC WANT TO KNOW AND WHY?

The DRC wants to hear if you have been hurt, treated badly, refused help or taken advantage of. It might be when applying for a job, living in a group home, going to hospital or getting medical help, accessing services, or across any other areas of your life. It can be recent, or it might have happened a long time ago. That's OK. It can have happened to you or someone you know who has a disability.

The Disability Royal Commission is about making life better and safer for Australians with disability.

WHO CAN HELP ME MAKE A SUBMISSION?

There are some organisations that can help you make a submission to the DRC. Their job is help you to understand how the DRC does its work, help you to tell your story in your words and in the way that suits you best - writing it down, making a video or audio recording, using and creating pictures.

They can also help you access any other support you might need.

Flip over to find out about the organisations that can help

THERE ARE SOME LOCAL ORGANISATIONS THAT CAN HELP YOU MAKE A SUBMISSION TO THE DRC

Aged and Disability Advocacy Australia



ADAA have Rockhampton based advocates who can listen to what has happened, explain more about the DRC, support you and help you submit your story. You can phone them on 1800 818 338 or email them at info@adaaustralia.com.au Visit their website www.adaaustralia.com.au

Lotus Support Services - MICAH Projects



Lotus Support services have an office at 10 Albert St, Rockhampton. They have qualified and supportive staff who can help you submit your story to the DRC and support your wellbeing. You can phone them on 4999 4300 or email them at lotussupportservices@micahprojects.org.au Visit their website www.micahprojects.org.au

Other Services

There are some other organisations that can also help you tell your story. These include:



Submit your submission directly: <https://disability.royalcommission.gov.au>



Qld Advocacy Inc. provides free individual advocacy for vulnerable people wishing to make a submission to the DRC. <https://qai.org.au/disability-royal-commission/>



Free, independent legal support to share your story with the Disability Royal Commission

Your Story Disability Legal Support provides free, independent legal support to share your story with the DRC: <https://yourstorydisabilitylegal.org.au>

You can contact the DRC Independent Consultant at Capricorn Citizen Advocacy for more information

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