



# Explorability Inc

## ALL ABILITIES EXPO 2021

On the 23rd of September, Explorability advocates attended the All Abilities Expo at Crown Perth. Both Individual and Outreach advocates were in attendance answering questions about our services and the importance of advocacy in the community. It was also a great opportunity to meet service providers old and new to further explore how we can work together in supporting individuals to achieve positive outcomes.



## MEET THE TEAM: LYN - ADVOCATE

After working in the not-for-profit disability sector in Human Resources for 6 years I developed a greater understanding of the challenges people with disability face on a daily basis.



This inspired me to become an advocate. As an Individual Advocate I help people tell their story, protect their rights, and access supports and services.

After a year with Explorability I have enjoyed creating meaningful connections and walking alongside people with disability to achieve their goals.

**Reminder:** To make a submission to the Disability Royal Commission go to <https://disability.royalcommission.gov.au/> or contact Explorability for more information.

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## SPOTLIGHT ON OUTREACH

Outreach services are provided in the Perth Metro and Wheatbelt regions. Outreach advocacy seeks to uphold the rights of people with disability who experience additional barriers in connecting and/or maintaining connections with support services due to their circumstances. This often includes people who are homeless or at risk of homelessness, have little or no support networks around them, and may be vulnerable and isolated. Our Outreach advocates work to remove barriers and ensure individuals are linked in with the appropriate services for them.

For more information on our Outreach Advocacy, please contact us on (08) 6361 6001.

## SECTOR UPDATE

You may have heard about proposed changes to the NDIS legislation. It is important for people with disability, their families and carers, to provide their feedback on this legislation to ensure that the NDIS is fit for purpose. Please see below to provide feedback – **hurry, submissions close on 7th October**

Quoted from NDIA Community Engagement Team email:

"The Department of Social Services is inviting public feedback on proposed changes to the legislation underpinning the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) to make processes easier and better for NDIS participants.

Improved participant experience is at the centre of the reforms by legislating the Participant Service Guarantee, and implementing key recommendations of the Independent Review of the NDIS Act.

The proposed changes also include:

- Making lived experience of disability one among a number of important considerations for membership of the NDIA Board;
- Updating the principles of the Act, to reflect the importance of co-design with people with disability.

We encourage NDIS participants, their families, carers and other stakeholders to have their say on the delivery of these important reforms.

- Feedback on the draft legislation is open on the ***DSS Engage website*** (External), with submissions closing at midnight (EST) on 7 October 2021."