



Mission Australia Community Newsletter

Welcome to the October 2021 edition of our Mission Australia Community Newsletter.

NDIS Events

Online Information Sessions

| Topic | Location | Date | Time |
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| WA Pathways to Post School Life | Online Event Microsoft Teams | 8 th October 2021 | 10.00am - 12.00pm (AWST) |
| WA Pathways to Post School Life | Online Event Microsoft Teams | 13 th October 2021 | 3.30pm – 5.30pm (AWST) |
| WA Pathways to Post School Life | Online Event Microsoft Teams | 22 nd October 2021 | 5.30pm- 7.30pm (AWST) |
| WA Pathways to Post School Life | Online Event Microsoft Teams | 25th October 2021 | 4.00pm - 6.00pm (AWST) |
| WA Pathways to Post School Life | Online Event Microsoft Teams | 28th October 2021 | 7.00pm - 9.00pm (AWST) |

Please register via Eventbrite: [WA Pathways to Post School Life Information Session Tickets](#)

LAC in the Community

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| Tuesday | Weekly | 9.00am to 11.00am, Ellenbrook Community Library, 90 Main Street Ellenbrook |
| Thursday | Weekly | 9.00am to 11.30am, Riverton Library, 67 Riley Road, Riverton |
| Thursday | Weekly | 9.00am to 12.00noon, Ethel Warren Community Centre, Maroubra Avenue Bullsbrook |
| Thursday | Weekly | 9.00am to 12noon, Beechboro Public Library, 322 Benara Road Beechboro |
| Friday | Weekly | 9.00am to 11.00am, Ellenbrook Community Library, 90 Main Street Ellenbrook |

The Mission Australia Local Area Coordination Service is available to answer your questions about the NDIS and to help link you to mainstream and community supports. Local Area Coordinators will be available each week to answer your questions about the NDIS on an individual basis.

Arrangements can be made to support people who require interpreters or who have specific cultural requirements, please call **1800 370 776** prior to your visit.

For more information check out our NDIS Resource Page WA [LAC in the Community Schedule | Mission Australia](#)

International Day of People with Disability – Art Exhibition

Mission Australia’s Partners in The Community program and the City of Subiaco are looking for Expressions of Interest to be part of an Art Exhibition for International Day of People with a Disability.

Mission Australia and the City of Subiaco are looking for talented individuals who identify as having a disability to showcase their artwork and have the opportunity to sell their pieces to the public. The exhibition is intended to run for up to one week at the start of December 2021 and is subject to grant approval.

This project includes workshop(s) where artists will have the opportunity learn how to value, promote, and market their artwork and themselves as professional artists. If you would like to be involved, please fill out the form below.

To register an expression of interest, follow one of the options below

Option 1. Scan the QR Code



Option 2. Contact us

Mission Australia – Subiaco
E: LACcentralnorth@missionaustralia.com.au
Ph: 1800 370 776 option 6

All Stars Kids Club

All Stars Kids Club is an ILC funded, unique social program that encourages autistic children to try new things, develop their interests and form collaborative, organic friendships through play and team-building activities

The program enables autistic children to develop a positive autistic identity, as well as enhancing relationships within the family and other families on a similar journey. Our timetable is varied, with new activities delivered each week, decided in consultation with our autistic children and families. Parents or carers stay to support their kids and meet other families.



The program is located at All Stars for Autism, 25 Jolstra Cres Joondalup on Wednesdays 4-5pm during the school term.

Find out more visit: the website <https://www.allstarsforautism.org.au/>

Speak My Language



Speak My Language program uses the power of storytelling to share what it means to live well with a disability in a culturally diverse community. They are looking for people who speak Vietnamese, Arabic, Farsi, Burmese, Kiswahili, Somali and Dari to share their stories about living well with a disability.

They are also looking for people who speak these languages who can provide information and advice about the inclusive places, activities, and opportunities available to Australians of all backgrounds. If this sounds like you or someone you support, and you'd like to be a part of the podcast series - contact Nihal on (08) 9227 5322 or nihal@eccwa.org.au

Paralympics Australia Multisport Come and Try Day

Join us for a huge afternoon of Para-sport at our WA Multi-Sport Come and Try Day at the Bendat Basketball Centre on Sunday 3 October.

This is a great opportunity to try a variety of Para-sports, learn more about the sports and programs on offer in your local area, meet new friends, connect with local Clubs, and have fun!

- Purpose: To showcase para-sport opportunities within Western Australia to individuals with a physical, vision or intellectual impairment.
- Date: Sunday, 3 October 2021.
- Location: Floreat, Perth, WA (Bendat Basketball Centre)
- Time: Mid-late afternoon (2:00 – 4:30 pm)
- Target Audience: All abilities and ages (+10 years old); physical, vision and intellectual disabilities (Under 18s must be accompanied by parent/guardian/carer)

Entry and participation are FREE. Registrations are essential.

[Para-sport multi-sport registration](#)



NDIS Online Portal Workshop

Mission Australia in partnership with the town of Victoria Park and Wanslea will be delivering a one-off workshop for participants and families who would like to learn more about accessing the NDIS My place participant portal.

in this workshop you will learn how to log on to the My Place participant portal through the My Gov website and you will learn how to navigate the portal and understand it's functions. Staff from mission Australia and the Town of Victoria Park will be available throughout the workshop to assist participants in accessing the portal.

Date: Monday 18th October

Time: 9.30am to 11.00am

Location: Mission Australia State Office 275 Abernethy Road Cloverdale

RSVP and for more information: Please email beesleyh@missionaustralia.com.au or call / text 0436 818 377 to book your place in this workshop.

Curtin Specialist Mentoring Program

The Curtin Specialist Mentoring Program (CSMP) is one of the first and largest peer support mentoring programs in Australia specifically designed for neurodiverse students with an autism spectrum or related condition.

CSMP Mentors are successful and experienced honours and postgraduate students from a variety of faculties. In partnership, CSMP mentors help guide and support their mentees to progress their academic, employment and personal goals.

CSMP also provides a weekly social group (CSG). CSG is run by the mentees supported by mentors during the semester to help develop friendships, to discuss relevant issues and enhance students' sense of belonging at Curtin.

For more information contact the CSMP Program Managers at autism.mentoring@curtin.edu.au.

Consultation Opens on NDIS Legislation Reforms

Public feedback is now invited on draft legislation to deliver a better experience for NDIS participants.

Minister for the NDIS, Senator the Hon Linda Reynolds CSC, said that today was a major milestone in the Government's 2019 promise to set up the scheme for the future, and embed an NDIS which works for everyone.

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

Improved participant experience is at the centre of the reforms, which includes giving effect to the Government's 2019 election commitment, 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.

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

<https://engage.dss.gov.au/proposed-ndis-legislative-improvements-and-the-participant-service-guarantee/>

Getting in touch with us...

If you have any feedback, information on exciting things happening in your community or useful resources, websites or apps that you want to share please let us know by calling any of our offices and having a chat with one of our friendly community engagement facilitators.

If you'd like to receive a copy of our newsletter electronically, please let us know by emailing:

lacwa@missionaustralia.com.au



Delivering the NDIS in your community