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“Nothing About Us Without Us”: National Responses to the CRPD Six Years On

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UN Human Rights Treaties

1965 CERD
Convention on the
Elimination of All Forms of
Racial Discrimination

1966 ICCPR
International Covenant on
Economic, Social and
Cultural Rights

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1979 CDAW
Convention on the
Elimination of All Forms of
Discrimination against
Women

1984 CAT
Convention against
Torture and Other Cruel,
Inhuman or Degrading
Treatment or Punishment

1989 CRC
Convention on the Rights
of the Child

1990 CMW
International Convention
on the Protection of the
Rights of All Migrant
Workers and Members of
Their Families

2006 CRPD
Convention on the Rights
of Persons with Disabilities

2006 CPED
International Convention
for the Protection of All
Persons from Enforced
Disappearance

Article I: Purpose

The purpose of the present Convention is to promote, protect and ensure the full and equal enjoyment of all human rights and fundamental freedoms by all persons with disabilities, and to promote respect for their inherent dignity.

Persons with disabilities include those who have long-term physical, mental, intellectual or sensory impairments which in interaction with various barriers may hinder their full and effective participation in society on an equal basis with others.

National Disability Strategy

- Inclusive and Accessible Communities
- Rights Protection, Justice and Legislation
- Economic Security
- Personal and Community support
- Learning and Skills
- Health and Well-being.



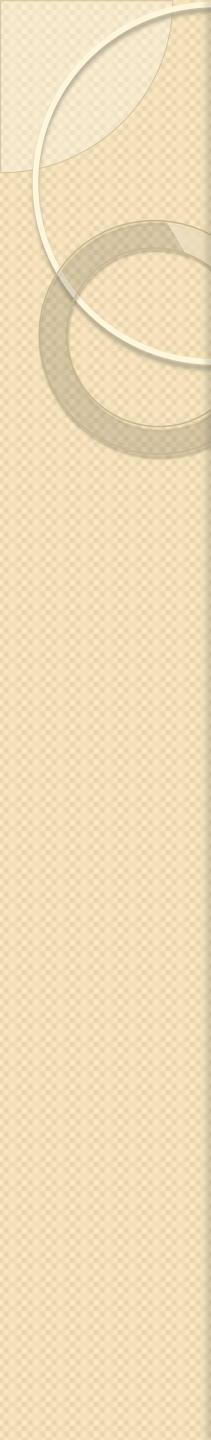
National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS)



NDIS | revolutionising disability services

CRPD Committee





Article 12: Equal Recognition Before the Law

1. States Parties reaffirm that persons with disabilities have the right to recognition everywhere as persons before the law.
2. States Parties shall recognize that persons with disabilities enjoy legal capacity on an equal basis with others in all aspects of life.



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