



# Disability Access & Inclusion Plan “Needs Work”

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The attached circular from the Office of Premier and Cabinet is very important.

Disability Speaks via the Intellectual Disability Association of SA (IDASA) is working on an official association response.

Given the serious nature of this strategic document we thought we should expand the opportunity for sector commentary.

We have very serious concerns that this draft plan which while strong in its rhetoric and showing positive intent has some glaring omissions that can profoundly affect people with Intellectual Disability.

Disability Speaks readers may wish to send comments to us for consideration for inclusion in the IDASA formal response or you may wish to send commentary direct to the contacts detailed within.

We look forward to making input into this important program and encourage you also to do so

David Holst  
Chair, Disability Speaks

## South Australian Disability Register - Invitation

Dear Members of the Disability Register

The Department for the Premier and Cabinet (DPC) has asked that we forward their draft Disability Access and Inclusion Plan 2014 – 2019 to Register members, to offer you the opportunity to read and comment on their Plan.

The Plan demonstrates the DPC's commitment to upholding the rights of people with disability to access services and program that they deliver, and who seek employment or are already employed with the DPC. The implementation of the Plan will be embedded in each division's business plan, ensuring progress of planned actions are monitored and reported back.

DPC is **seeking comments by 15 August 2014**. Responses can be via emails, post or telephone. Please send all responses directly to:

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Thank you for taking the time to read and respond to this request for comments, they will be collated by DPC and used to inform the Plan as needed.

If you experience any technical problems in contacting Ms Seery please let me know. I can be reached on ph. 8415 4378 or by email [yvette.gray@dcsi.sa.gov.au](mailto:yvette.gray@dcsi.sa.gov.au)

Thanking you

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