



National Disability Coordination Officer Programme
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Disability Resources in Community Languages



A number of disability resources are available in a range of community languages. This fact sheet will help you find NDCO and other resources.

What is disability?

Nearly one in five Australians has a disability and over 80% of them are invisible. You may not think of yourself as having a disability but the definition under the *Disability Discrimination Act (1992)* is very broad and includes:

- Chronic medical conditions - asthma, diabetes, cancer, Crohn's disease, arthritis
- Intellectual disabilities - Down syndrome, fragile x syndrome
- Learning disabilities - dyslexia, dysgraphia, scotopic sensitivity
- Mental illness - depression, anxiety disorders, schizophrenia
- Neurological conditions – multiple sclerosis, epilepsy, autism
- Physical disabilities - spinal cord injury, cerebral palsy
- Sensory disabilities – hearing impairment, vision impairment

Find out more - our *What is disability?* handout is available in Arabic, simplified Chinese, Vietnamese, Assyrian, Greek, Hindi, Korean, Tagalog
www.westernsydney.edu.au/ndco-translations

What is the National Disability Coordination Officer Program?

The NDCO Program helps people with disability access and succeed in further education, training and employment. To find your local NDCO go to:

www.education.gov.au/ndcoprogramme

Information about the NDCO Program is available in Arabic, Chinese, Hindi, Vietnamese, Assyrian, Greek, Tagalog

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Support at university, TAFE or work

This resource gives links to information about where people with disabilities can get support. Available in Arabic, Simplified Chinese, Vietnamese, Assyrian, Greek, Hindi, Tagalog www.westernsydney.edu.au/ndco-translations

Resources developed by other organisations*

**The NDCO programme has compiled this list of resources for your information and reference. They were not developed by the NDCO programme.*

National Standards for Disability Services

People who use disability services have rights, and service providers have to comply with the National Standards for Disability Services. Information about the Standards is available in 15 community languages - www.dss.gov.au/our-responsibilities/disability-and-carers/standards-and-quality-assurance/new-national-standards-for-disability-services/national-standards-for-disability-services-translations

Multicultural Disability Advocacy Association (MDAA)

The MDAA website contains links to range of disability resources available in community languages - www.mdaa.org.au/resources/information-in-community-languages

National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS)

Information about the NDIS is available in Arabic, Greek, Italian, Simplified Chinese, Traditional Chinese, Spanish, Vietnamese - www.ndis.gov.au/lote.html

Australian Human Rights Commission

Have a poster resource and brochure available in a large number of community languages to help people understand their rights and the complaints process - <https://www.humanrights.gov.au/about/translated-information>

Disability Employment Services (DES)

The Department of Employment has information about DES available in 16 community languages - www.employment.gov.au/information-products-and-guides-disability-employment-services

Ageing, Disability and Homecare

In partnership with MDAA ADHC have a list of disability 'terms' translated in community languages. Available in Arabic, Chinese Simplified, Croatian, Dari, Dinka, Farsi (Persian), Indonesian, Korean, Macedonian, Serbian, Spanish, Turkish, Vietnamese - www.adhc.nsw.gov.au/individuals/help_at_home/home_care_service/who_we_help/disability_terms_fact_sheet

Resourcing Families

Have a range of information about Resourcing Families, Family Advocacy, planning ahead and person-centred support available in Arabic, Chinese, Greek, Italian, Korean, Vietnamese, Indonesian, Assyrian and Tamil - www.resourcingfamilies.org.au/

Transcultural Mental Health Centre

'A Practical Guide' series of booklets and CDs focus on the importance of obtaining and maintaining mental health and wellbeing. Available in Arabic, Chinese, English, Farsi, German, Greek, Italian, Spanish, Vietnamese. 'Healthy kids' series contains information on anxiety, depression, behaviour disorders and anorexia. Available in Arabic, Chinese, Dinka, English, Farsi, Filipino, Greek, Hindi, Khmer, Korean, Samoan, Spanish, Turkish, Vietnamese - www.dhi.health.nsw.gov.au/Transcultural-Mental-Health-Centre/Resources/Translations/default.aspx

Scan to access
resource online.

