

Disability Royal Commission

The Royal Commission into Violence, Abuse, Neglect and Exploitation of People with Disability was established just over four years ago on 4 April 2019. The Disability Royal Commission (or DRC) final report is due to be presented to Government on 29 September 2023. For full information go to the Royal Commission website, click [here](#)

Over the past four years a lot has occurred:

| Fast facts from the Disability Royal Commission | | | | |
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| 7,944 | 17,568 | 14 | 710 | 1,702 |
| Submissions received | Phone enquiries | Issues papers Published | Responses to issues papers | Private Sessions held |

You can stay up to date with the progress and publications released by the Disability Royal Commission by registering to receive their “Connect Newsletter”, click [here](#) to go to website.

Advocacy support

Gippsland Disability Advocacy Inc is proud to be a part of the National Disability Advocacy Program (NDAP) to support people with disability to engage with the Disability Royal Commission.

Advocacy support is for people with disability (or family members or carers acting on their behalf) who need assistance in communicating or understanding how to engage with the Commission.

While submissions have now closed, advocacy support is still available from Gippsland Disability Advocacy to:

- Stay up-to-date with the work of the Disability Royal Commission
- Access reports or media releases made by the Commission
- Access counselling and/or legal support for people engaging with the Disability Royal Commission
- Connect you with other supports / services that may assist you

If you would like more information about the Disability Royal Commission please call the Gippsland Disability Advocacy office on 5175 0444

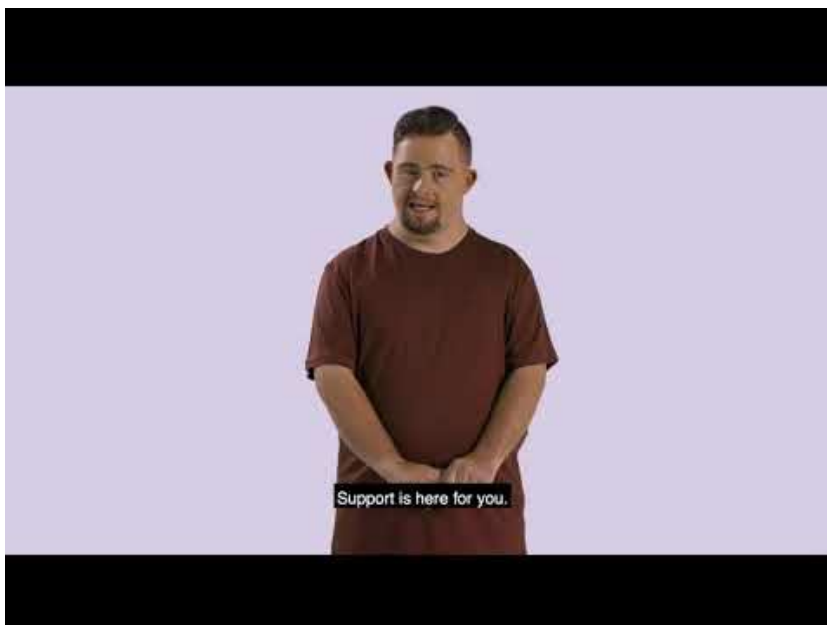
Video: About Advocacy Support



The Australian government has funded Counselling, advocacy and legal support to help people engaging with the Disability Royal Commission. There is information below on how to access counselling support or for further information go to the website: [Support available from the Disability Royal Commission.](#)

You can also contact us at Gippsland Disability Advocacy for assistance to access support that is right for you.

Video: About Counselling Support



Disability Royal Commission Counselling Support Services

Blue Knot Foundation

Phone: 1800 421 468

Website: www.blueknot.org.au(link is external)

If you are deaf, or have a hearing or speech impairment, call the National Relay Service on **133 677** and give **02 6146 1468** as the number you want to call.

Relationships Australia Victoria

Phone: 1800 317 387

Website: www.relationshipsvictoria.com.au

Drummond Street Services

Phone: 03 9663 6733

Website: <https://ds.org.au>

Disability Royal Commission Legal Advisory Service

Your Story Disability Legal Services

Phone: 1800 771 800

Website: www.yourstorydisabilitylegal.org.au

Complaints

You can give feedback or make complaints about the Royal Commission by phoning 1800 517 199 or emailing DRCenquiries@royalcommission.gov.au.