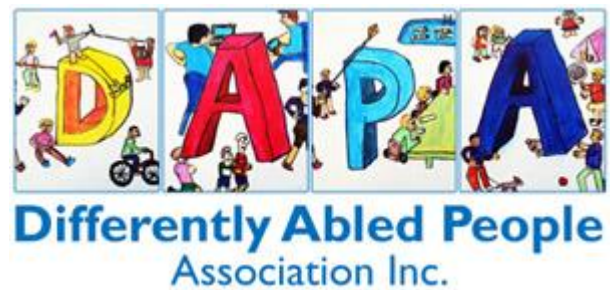


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# CAPABILITY STATEMENT

## Welcome

Differently Abled People Association (DAPA) began operations in early 2013. It is the only workplace for young people with autism and intellectual disability that markets an application for smartphones used by *other* disabled people. The Day Program is unique. DAPA seeks participants from CALD backgrounds and employs them in a work environment that is unlike many other workplaces.

## Employment

- Open to young people up to age 35
- Part time: 2-3 days per week
- Full training provided
- Pleasant office environment
- Funded or unfunded options
- Paid for real work
- Can use app for free

## Work done

Most autistic and intellectually disabled young people want to use a smartphone. DAPA has developed an app called ManyMindsLink which provides the smartphone user with a range of functions that appeal to young people and carers alike. DAPA's participants enter data into the National database. Data is researched and developed by participants also. Data quality is tested and verified before release.

## Day Programs

In addition to the gainful employment, participants are supported in their dreams to live independently. As part of their employment, participants are included in our Stronger Forever Program. This combines employment, recreational programs, fun activities and life skills training.

## Live to Work - *Life Skills*

We support participants in living independently and making their own decisions. From getting up on time to get ready for work, to personal hygiene and health, money, getting around, greeting people, cooking, housekeeping etc.

## Work for Life – *Employee Skills*

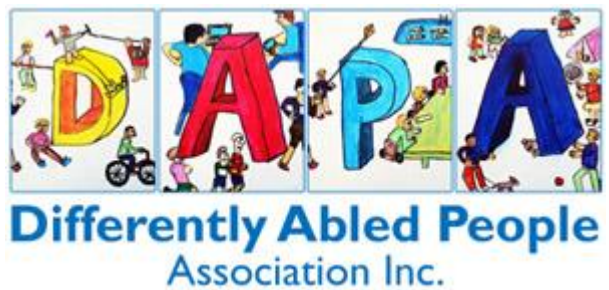
We train and encourage day-to-day routine habits for working in the real world. Database entry, site research, increase participant engagement. Awareness of WHS requirements, attendance and absence, performance in delivering against targets etc. We are patient and respect participant rights.

## Live to Enjoy – *Recreational skills*

There is more to life than TV! We encourage day trips as individuals or groups. We support and encourage participants to be active in sports, arts, music and recreational hobbies such as dancing, games, reading, movies etc..

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### How to get started?

- Contact us and discuss your needs and the participant's needs and capability.
- Make an appointment to visit our office and see what we do and how we do it.
- Complete a Work Trial form available from DAPA.
- Start at DAPA

Options:

DAPA has a wide range of flexible options for employment of participants at DAPA.

Some of our participants are funded, some are not. Speak to the NDIS about your plan and request support.

For example: Our Stronger Forever Program has an intensive five-day week program to train various living skills and employment skills. Our daily fee will be \$130 per day or \$ 6,000 per quarter

### Your Support

Please support our cause and vision by:

- Be a **Friend of DAPA**  
(Contact our facilitator Ian Mackenzie on [mackenzies@optusnet.com.au](mailto:mackenzies@optusnet.com.au)).
- Tell other people about this venture
- Be a **volunteer** for DAPA
- Download our useful MMLink App :  
How?

Scan the QR code below with your smartphone to install the app on your phone for immediate use:

