

DAPA July 2019 Newsletter

NDIS–Disability and Inclusion in Religion

In various websites, quotes in scriptures and history Shows that religious people have readily offered help to people in need of assistance.

All religions accept disabilities (Wikipedia/MPL)

In myhandycap.com website, it poses a question to All of us

In God we are disabled?

Disability Inclusion ACT in Australia breaks the barrier among us that we should not rate one above the other and we should live, work and play together. Many religion sees sickness and disability as punishments to our lives and many parents still hide their children from their community and the places they worship.



Following the Disability Inclusion ACT the website playbytherules.net.au has laid out the 7 Pillers of Inclusion as follows :

- ACCESS – How to get there and get in?
- ATTITUDE – How willing you are to make it happen?
- CHOICE – What can you do?
- PARTNERSHIPS – Who will you work with?
- COMMUNICATION – Who will you tell?
- POLICY – How are you responsible?
- OPPORTUNITIES – What do you want to do?

Places like churches, community and offices, all needs to ask those questions.

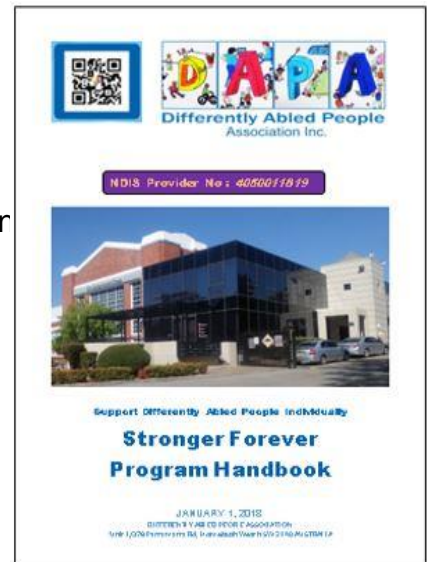
NDIS–Where DAPA can help

DAPA, through our *Stronger Forever Program*, is a registered provider of NDIS funded supports. We provide day care and training in all aspects of independent living skills. We have stressed the importance of care workers having empathy to assist our members in enabling them to develop employment skills in IT areas as part of their involvement in our program. This will prepare them to get meaningful employment in the future like some of our ex-participants. We are continuing developing courses and utilities for support services. When the time comes that we need to start marketing for our services.

Stronger Forever Program

DAPA has upgraded the *Stronger Forever Program Handbook* to be in line with NDIS service delivery. It now shows all the services we can provide under different Categories, such as Core Support, Capacity Building Support and Transportation.

DAPA has now restructured to provide a special Inclusive workplace MMLink company to start marketing process for the future of our participants to work and to play as long as they would like.



New Office space in Chatswood

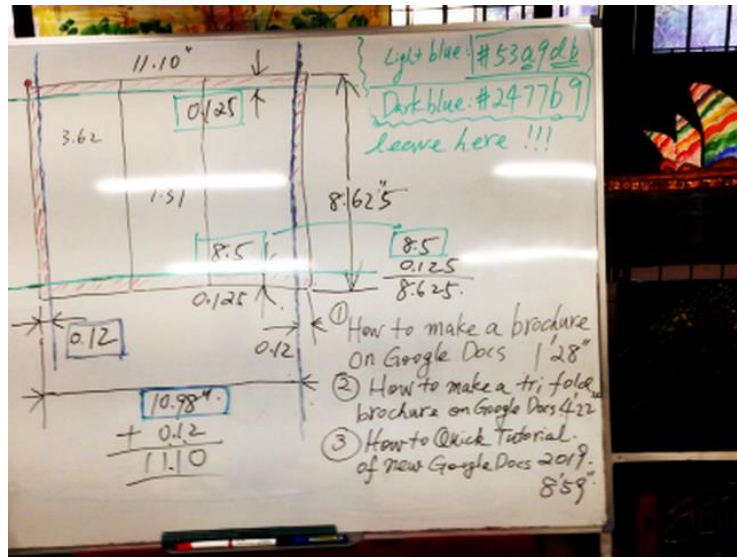


Starting in July, DAPA will have a new Data Collection office in Chatswood within Sunnyfield Enterprise. It is a joint effort to setup an Inclusive Modern Workplace in an IT industry.

On last Sunday 28th June, Vincent took our DC who had just settling into the unit we helped to secure for his accommodation. Vincent took three dark chocolate packs for him to choose for his shopping. He needed to choose according to value for money versus his budget and taste versus nutrition value. During dinner, he opted a burger costing \$17 which blowed his budget; however he really enjoyed the taste which he could only have it occasionally as he earned his own wages now.

IT advance class

We hold internal classes for participants who likes to learn website building, photoshop, storage solution and internet security etc.



Participation in the Community:

Meeting with Eastwood Chinese Senior Club



Listen to solicitor Karen talking about legal aspects of Will and Power of Attorney.