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## DISABILITY

Self-determination

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People with disability, their families and carers, should be able to actively participate in policy, service p

## **PRINCIPLES**

The Australian Greens believe that:

- 1. All people have a right to independence, self-determination and choice in their lives. Disability policy and law is individual health and well-being.
- 2. People who experience physical, intellectual, cognitive and/or psychiatric disability, and their families and carer policy, service planning and delivery and evaluation, including their own.
- 3. There are a variety of medical, societal, environmental and cultural reasons why people's individual abilities dif diversity and remove barriers to equitable access for all.
- 4. It is a responsibility of governments to ensure substantive equality and equal opportunity, to promote attitudinal areas including education, health, housing, mobility, employment, transport and sport, cultural and social engage
- 5. Australians should develop and maintain a culture of support for, understanding of, and respect for people with
- 6. There must be adequate, ongoing, fully indexed funding for high quality, lifetime care and support for people wiregardless of how or where the person acquired a disability or where they live.
- 7. Care and support for people with a disability should be accessible, individualised, self-directed and age-approp
- 8. Society should be free of harassment, abuse, vilification, stigmatisation, discrimination, disadvantage or exploit

## **AIMS**

The Australian Greens want:

- 1. Full opportunity for people to participate in all aspects of life, including education, training and employment, reg
- 2. The establishment of an ongoing and fully funded national disability scheme that provides life-time care and su they acquired their disability or where they live.
- 3. Access for people to appropriate facilities and support in order to undertake their chosen activities regardless of
- 4. Strong and well-funded individual and systemic disability advocacy services.
- 5. Access to free legal advice and advocacy where disability limits the individual's capacity to put their case forwa

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6. Community education programs to promote public awareness of human diversity, disability issues, and reduce

- 7. A guaranteed and adequate income for people with a disability and their carers to cover living, medical, transposervices.
- 8. Greater national legislative protection for people with a disability including giving the Australian Human Rights complaints, and the ability to initiate complaints to enable systemic change and lessen the onus on individuals
- 9. Implementation of stronger national access standards.
- 10. Adequate funding for high quality, age-appropriate care for people with very high or complex care needs, including disabilities.
- 11. Sufficient respite care services and facilities, in-home and emergency support, crisis accommodation and a rar
- 12. Pathways that support school leavers with disability to make the transition from school into meaningful employr community-based activities.
- 13. Improved pay, conditions, support and career structures for workers living with disabilities.
- 14. Workforce improvements driven through the provision of training, development and personal support for disabil
- 15. The extension of anti-vilification laws to include vilification on the basis of disability.

## **POLICY CATEGORY:**

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