

Making a submission to the Disability Royal Commission

Who can make a submission?

Anyone with a disability, and their families, carers and supporters, wanting to share their experiences of violence, abuse, neglect and exploitation.



How do I apply?



Post at
GPO Box 1422,
Brisbane Qld, 4001



Email at
DRCenquiries
@royalcommission.gov.au



Telephone
1800 517 199
or 07 3734 1900
from 9:00am to 6:00pm
Monday to Friday AEDT

What happens to my submission?

When we receive your submission we will respond personally to you. We may suggest options for further reporting, counselling and support, or legal advice.



How will my submission be used?

All submissions are read by our submissions team. Audio-visual submissions and submissions made in languages other than English, including Auslan, will be transcribed and translated so they can be read by our team.

If you consent, your submission may be published on our website or in our reports and publications. Depending on what you agree, your identity or other parts of your information may be kept confidential. If you do not wish us to publish your submission it will remain confidential for the life of the Royal Commission.



What next?

For most people, **sharing your experiences** in a submission will be the end of your involvement with the Royal Commission. In very rare circumstances, we may contact you if we need more information or to ask you to take part in a public hearing.

Sharing your experiences in a submission can be hard. **Blue Knot Foundation** provides trauma informed telephone counselling for people engaging with the Royal Commission. Call **1800 421 468** 9:00am to 6:00pm AEDT weekdays or 9:00am to 5:00pm weekends.

A national legal service, independent from the Royal Commission, it can provide free and independent legal advice. Call 1800 771 800 between 9:15am to 5:15pm AEDT weekdays.

