

Sharing your story in a private session



Who can apply for a private session?

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

How do I apply?



Email at
DRCenquiries
@royalcommission.gov.au



Telephone

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



Post at

GPO Box 1422,
Brisbane Qld, 4001

What happens next?

Our private sessions team will be in touch to arrange a date for your private session and ask you for information including whether you have a preference for a Commissioner.



What happens at a private session?



At your private session, you will be able to share your experiences in person with a Commissioner.



A private session lasts about an hour or two. You may bring documents or notes with you.



A counsellor will be available to support you after the session and will follow up with you a week later.



You will receive a thank you card and the opportunity to send your message to Australia.

What next?

For most people, your private session will be the end of your involvement with the Royal Commission.

Your identity and the information you share in a private session is confidential. However, with your consent, we may publish aspects of your experience on our website or in our reports and publications in a way that does not identify you or anyone else.

We will put you in touch with a range of services to best meet your circumstances. These may include counselling and legal services.



For more information on Private sessions visit

www.disability.royalcommission.gov.au/shareyourstory