
AFDO Submission to the National Mental Health and Disability Employment Strategy

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As a part of the Social Inclusion Agenda, the Australian Government is developing a [National Mental Health and Disability Employment Strategy](#) [1]. The Strategy aims to address the barriers faced by people with disability and/or mental illness that make it harder for them to gain and keep work. This submission was made by the Australian Federation of Disability Organisations (AFDO).

Introduction

As the peak national body representing organisations of people with disability, the Australian Federation of Disability Organisations welcomes the Government's initiative in developing a National Mental Health and Disability Employment Strategy.

The Terms of Reference for the National Mental Health and Disability Employment Strategy acknowledge the complex interplay of factors impacting on the capacity of people with disability to find and retain employment and highlight that efforts to improve employment will fail unless a holistic approach to reform is taken.

This submission is organised in two sections: the first section details the fundamental elements that should be addressed in a National Mental Health and Disability Employment Strategy; and the second provides supporting information about the employment of people with disability in Australia.

The submission complements the Australian Federation of Disability Organisations' submission to the review of the Job Network.

The full text of this submission is located in the attached PDF document.

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[1] <http://www.workplace.gov.au/workplace/Publications/PolicyReviews/EmploymentStrategy/>

[2] [http://www.napwa.org.au/files/NMH&DES Submission - final.pdf](http://www.napwa.org.au/files/NMH&DES%20Submission%20-%20final.pdf)