



National Disability
Research Partnership

Money for research projects

Rules to apply in 2026

Easy Read version



How to use this document



We are the National Disability Research Partnership (NDRP).

We wrote this document.



We wrote some words in **bold**.

We explain what these words mean.

There is also a list of these words on page 19.



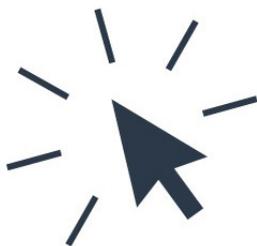
You can ask someone you trust for support to:

- read this document
- find more information.



This is an Easy Read summary of another document.

It only includes the most important ideas.



You can find the other document on our website.

www.ndrp.org.au/research

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About the NDRP



We support disability research that is:

- led by people with disability
- done with people with disability.

We give money to research that:



- helps improve laws and services for people with disability



- supports the **rights** of people with disability.



Rights are rules about how people must treat you:

- fairly
- equally.

Disability research in 2026



We are offering money for disability research in 2026.



You can apply for up to \$300,000 for your research project.



You can apply:

- from Monday 23 February 2026
- until Monday 20 April 2026.



We want research projects to start in July 2026.



The research projects will run for **1 year.**



You can choose between 2 topics for your research project.



We explain these topics on the following pages.

1. Safety of people with disability

You can do research that looks at how to stop people with disability from experiencing:



- **violence** – when someone hurts you physically



- **abuse** – when someone treats you badly.



You can do research about how to make sure people with disability are:

- treated with respect
- given the support they need.



You can do research about using less **restrictive practices** for people with disability.



Restrictive practices are actions that stop people from:

- moving
- doing what they want.

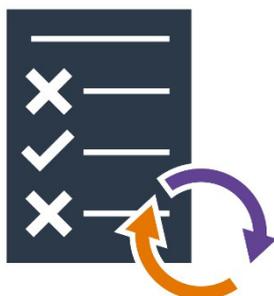
For example, you might research:



- how restrictive practices harm people with disability



- other ways to support people with disability



- how to change rules about restrictive practices.

2. Accessible and inclusive communities



You can do research about how to make communities more **accessible** for people with disability.



When the community is accessible, it's easy to:

- find and use services
- move around.



You can do research about how to make communities more **inclusive** for people with disability.



When the community is inclusive, everyone:

- can take part
- feels like they belong.



Your research project could look at areas of the community that are not accessible and inclusive.

For example:



- technology, including computers and phones



- housing



- transport.

Your research project could look at other areas of the community, like:



- buildings



- finding a job and earning money.



Your research project should focus on how to stop these things affecting people with disability.



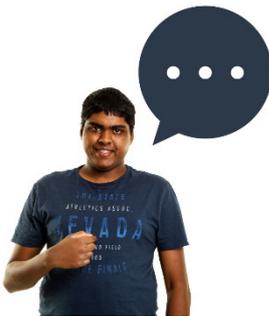
You can also do research about the rules that people should follow to make the community accessible and inclusive.

How you can use the money



You can use the money we give you to pay people for their work.

For example, people who will:



- share their experiences



- help choose what the research project will focus on



- do the research.

You can also use the money we give you to pay people who will:



- give advice



- help share information.



You can use the money we give you to pay for travel you need to do for your research project.



You can also use the money we give you to create information that is easy to:

- find and use
- understand.

What rules you must follow



Your research project must include people with disability.

People with disability must help:



- plan the research
- make decisions
- share what you learn.

People with disability must be:



- paid for their time



- supported in ways that meet their needs.

Your research project must:



- help improve rules and laws for people with disability



- share information in accessible ways



- share information with other projects



- collect **data** in the right way.



Data includes information and facts we collect to help us learn about something.

How we choose research projects



We make sure research projects meet the rules to apply.



We ask people who don't work for us to check the research projects and give us their advice.



The Research Committee looks at this advice.

But they are not part of the NDRP.



The Research Committee shares this advice with the NDRP Board to help them choose research projects.



The Research Committee helps guide the research once the NDRP Board chooses who to give money to.

We would like to support research projects that include:



- First Nations people with disability



- people from different backgrounds and who speak different languages



- people who live far away from cities and towns.

Contact us



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Word list

This list explains what the **bold** words in this document mean.



Abuse

Abuse is when someone treats you badly.



Accessible

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- find and use services
- move around.



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Inclusive

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- can take part
- feels like they belong.



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Restrictive practices are actions that stop people from:

- moving
- doing what they want.



Rights

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- fairly
- equally.



Violence

Violence is when someone hurts you physically.



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