# Gary’s story

## An Easy Read case study

### Text-only version

Gary was in a car accident when he was 24.

He lost his left arm below the elbow.

Now he’s 56.

He works as a welder – someone who makes or fixes metal products.

Gary says he had help finding work from:

* close friends
* disability services.

People from disability support services came to his work.

They found out what support Gary needed to do his job, like aids and equipment.

Then they made the tools he needed to work, like a special handle to help him use a grinder.

Gary still does a lot of things for himself.

But he knows he might need more support as he gets older.

He says he will use the Disability Gateway in the future to find:

* information
* support services.

It was hard for Gary to find information and support before.

When he searches on the Disability Gateway he can look at one part of life at a time.

He plans to use it to find transport.

He thinks the Disability Gateway will be very helpful for people living:

* with disability
* outside big cities.

It will help these people:

* find services
* reach out to others.

Gary said,

“I didn’t have this when I was younger. It would have been great to research transport options.”