

Australia's Disability Strategy Advisory Council 24 and 25 June 2026 Meeting Communiqué

Australia's Disability Strategy Advisory Council (the Advisory Council) met in-person for their second meeting of 2026 on 24 and 25 June 2026 in Collaroy, New South Wales.

Over the course of the two-day meeting, the Advisory Council:

- Welcomed new Advisory Council members and received an address from Senator the Hon Jenny McAllister, Minister for the National Disability Insurance Scheme, thanking them for the important work they were progressing at this time of significant change.
- Approved Actions and Outcomes from the Advisory Council's 17 March 2026 meeting.
- Discussed key priorities and the Advisory Council's [2026 work plan](#), including how they would like to approach the work.
- Endorsed advice to the [Australian Public Service Commission](#) relating to disability employment in the Australian Public Service.
- Received a presentation from ARTD Consultants on the independent evaluation of Australia's Disability Strategy and discussed the Strategy's monitoring and evaluation framework.
- Engaged with the [Australian Human Rights Commission's](#) Disability Discrimination Commissioner, Ms Rosemary Kayess, and her perspectives on disability reform (including the review of the *Disability Discrimination Act* and changes to the National

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Disability Insurance Scheme), the need to ground current reform in human rights, and the importance of Australia's Disability Strategy as a unifying government policy to counter fragmentation.

- Received a presentation from the Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications, Sport and the Arts and the Queensland Government's Olympic and Paralympic Games Office on the Brisbane 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games. The Council provided advice on the Game's legacy for people with disability and efforts to improve accessibility and disability inclusion for the Games.
- Received a presentation from [HumanAbility](#) and heard about the aged care, disability, leisure and health qualification review and discussed the disability support workforce.
- Discussed recent data and initiatives in relation to women and girls with disability and identified possibilities for future work.
- Held a discussion with representatives from state and territory disability advisory councils, sharing information about key initiatives in each jurisdiction and discussed how best to work together to implement Australia's Disability Strategy and advance disability reform more broadly.
- Met with [Sport Integrity Australia](#) to provide feedback in relation to the National Integrity Framework Policies and creating a safe, fair and healthy sporting environment for everyone, including people with disability.

The next Advisory Council meeting is scheduled to take place in August 2026, virtually.