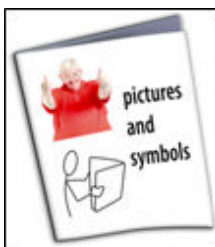




About the Area Advisory Groups

Having your say at Area Advisory Groups



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Over the next year there will be some changes to Disability Services.



We want to make sure you understand the changes and you have a chance to have a say if you want.



One of the changes is a new group called the Area Advisory Group. This paper explains what the Area Advisory Group is.

Hard to understand words

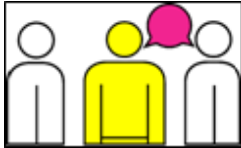


This paper uses words that you might not know.

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We have explained what they mean.

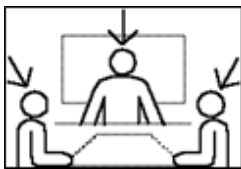
What is an Area Advisory Group?



This is a group of **service providers** who will look at how services work in Tasmania.

Service providers are people who are paid by the government to provide services that help people.

Who are the members of the Area Advisory Group?



It is made up of service providers from the Disability, Children and Families and Youth areas as well as some people from the Government.

What will the Areas Advisory Group do?



The Area Advisory Group will try to make services better in Tasmania.

They will give advice to the government about how to make things better for people with disabilities, children, families and young people.



The Area Advisory Group will make sure that people with disabilities, their families and carers are part of the decisions that are made.



They will share information and help service providers to work together to help make things better.

Where are the Area Advisory Groups?

There are four Area Advisory Groups:
South East
South West
North
North West

You can click here to find out which AAG is in your area:

<http://www.yoursayaag.org.au/whats-my-area/>

When does the Area Advisory Group meet?



They meet about once every 6 weeks.

How can I have a say?



Advocacy Tasmania and Speak Out are working together to find different ways for you to take part if you want.



We will be sending out a **survey** to ask people with disabilities how they would like to be involved.

A **survey** is questions that we ask you to find out what you think.

You can also click here to fill out the survey online:

http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.aspx?sm=J_2fVyGiXbSjh68pUr1nkM_2bA_3d_3d

You can ask someone you trust to help you fill out the survey



We look forward to hearing from you.