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# Disability Connect Newsletter

**16th August 2021**

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## Disability Connect Events 2021

- [Disability Connect AGM - 25th August 6pm](#)
- [Planning for Adulthood Seminar - 22nd September, 13th October, 10th November](#)
- [Education Legal Issues - 8th November](#)
- [Transition Expo 8th September 2021](#)

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## New Upcoming Events

- [Girls Day In is on Saturday 18th of September and Boys Day In is on Saturday 25th of September](#)
- [Community Gardening Programme for people with disabilities - Edith's Garden Mt Wellington](#)
- [Disability Disclosure and the Law, Reasonable Accommodations and the Law, Decision Making and the Law, September, October and November 2021](#)
- [A Slice of Heaven Production 21st October 7pm-late](#)
- [New Programme at Lifekidz - Monday and Thursdays](#)
- [PHAB Club spaces - Central Juniors \(mount Roskill\), Pakuranga juniors, Royal Oak and South Auckland \(Papatoetoe\)](#)

## Support Groups

- Parent Support Groups:
    - [Parents Support Group \(on zoom\) Every Monday 7-8pm](#)
    - [Parents Information Support Group \(in person\)](#) - Funding and Supports including IF (Individualised Funding) 15th September 6-8pm
    - [Chinese Families Autism Support Group \(in person\)](#) - Tai Chi Earth 17th August 10am-1pm
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## Job Vacancies

- [Auckland Recruitment - Disability Advisory Panel member with te ao Māori perspective](#)
  - [Community Support Coordinator vacancies](#)
  - [In-home support for 12 Year Old Autistic Boy New Lynn - 15-30 hours per week](#)
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## Flatmate Opportunities

- [Looking for flatmates for a house in Sunnynook North Shore](#)
  - [Female flatmate wanted Mt Roskill](#)
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## Surveys and new sector information

- [Disability Funded Carer Support updates 13 August 2021](#)
  - [Doctoral studies on special needs parenting and entrepreneurship](#)
  - [Carers New Zealand Survey](#)
  - [Auckland - City Centre Bus Plan consultation opportunity](#)
  - [Support Person Research](#)
  - [Information about about the public consultation on social cohesion in New Zealand can be found on the MSD website](#) Public online consultation on improving social cohesion in New Zealand extended till 10 September.
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## Transition Expo 2021

**8th September**

Auckland Netball Centre

7 Allison Ferguson Drive

St Johns

9am-2pm

Explore what is available:

Opportunities and advice from transition, vocational, education, employment, recreation and information providers as well as social enterprises

12pm Live Forum - What will be available when I turn 21 in 2024?

Speakers: Adri Isbister- Deputy Director General Ministry of Health- Disability Services, Anne Hawker -Senior Disability Advisor The Ministry of Social Development, Karen Nowell-Usticke- Tertiary Education Commission

Chill zone - quiet sensory space



**08 SEPTEMBER 2021**

**TIME:** 9am – 2pm  
**VENUE:** Auckland Netball Centre, 7 Allison Ferguson Drive, St Johns

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**Explore what is available**

**Interactive Activities:**

- ▶ 12pm: Live Forum - "What Will be Available When I Turn 21 in 2024?"
- ▶ Opportunities and advice from Transition, Vocational, Employment, Education, Recreation and Information providers
- ▶ Social Enterprise Resources
- ▶ Chill Zone – quiet sensory space
- ▶ Competition with Prizes
- ▶ Café on Site

**Additional Information:**

- ▶ Free Parking
- ▶ Wheelchair accessible
- ▶ All students with a disability and those involved in the disability sector will enjoy this day.

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## Parents Support Group - Online via Zoom

**Zoom Support - Mondays - 7-8pm**

Join us on Zoom every Monday evening 7-8pm. Hop on in to chat, be with others that may be in the same situation as you, bring up any issues you are having or even listen and support others. Do you have any questions regarding Taikura Trust, Work and Income, community supports, etc? Do come and ask."



Robyn would love to hear how you are all getting on.

Come along and say hi! - zoom link below or from our [website](#)

**[HTTPS://US02WEB.ZOOM.US/J/87036895858](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87036895858)**

Passcode: 501844

## COVID-19 Vaccination Video

## with Paediatricians

All you need to know about COVID-19 vaccination for disabled people with Drs Rosie Marks and Dr Marguerite Dalton 7/7/2021

Click [here](#) to view



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## COVID-19

- [Auckland vaccine rollout for disability](#)
- [COVID-19 Guidance and practical tools for supporting disabled people with decision-making and consent - Easy Read](#)
- [COVID-19 Vaccine information](#)

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## Great information on our website!

- [Newsletters from other disability organisations](#)
- [Useful links page](#)
- [Disability Support Guides - English, Chinese, Korean and Arabic](#)



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We are available Monday-Friday 9am-4.30pm

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