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The **federal election** is now over.



A **federal election** is when Australians choose who they want to lead the Australian Government.



We asked the Government to keep working to make health care better for people with intellectual disability.



This is because the health of people with intellectual disability **still** counts.



People with intellectual disability have the right to good health care.

# Why we asked



People with intellectual disability often do not get the health care they need.



We asked the Government to make changes because this should not **still** be happening.



People with intellectual disability **still** die younger than other people.



People with intellectual disability **still** go to hospital more than others.



Doctors **still** do not learn how to support people with intellectual disability.

### What we asked for



We asked the Government to make promises about health at the federal election.



There is already a plan to make health care better for people with intellectual disability.



It is called the National Roadmap for Improving the Health of People with Intellectual Disability.

We will say **National Roadmap** for short.



We asked the Government to keep doing the things that are in the National Roadmap.



We asked for better training for doctors about how to support people with intellectual disability.



We asked that doctors spend more time with people with intellectual disability.



We have a list of all the things we asked for.



To read the list you can go to

www.tinyurl.com/CID-position-paper

### How we did it



There are things we did for the federal election.



We had our say at big Government events and meetings.



We had a big campaign.



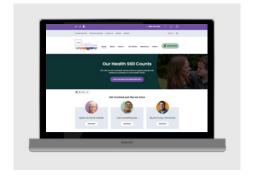
A **campaign** is when we share what we think about an issue in lots of different ways.



We shared what we think with the media like TV and newspapers.



We shared things like important stories from people with disability and their families.



People wrote on our website that they support the campaign.



We shared a message from people who spoke at the **Disability Royal Commission**.



The **Disability Royal Commission** looked into the big problems for people with disability.



We asked over 100 people in Australia to help us write a letter to the Government.



The letter was about what should happen for health and people with intellectual disability.

# What we made happen



There are some good things that happened because of what we did.



The 3 main groups in Government said they still support the National Roadmap.



The Labor Party said they will work with people with intellectual disability to help fix big health problems.



They said hearing from people with intellectual disability is important.



We helped more people know how health care must change for people with intellectual disability.



We showed the real issues that happen to people with intellectual disability.

Inclusion Australia

To do the campaign we had help from



Inclusion Australia



• Down Syndrome Australia



 Queensland Centre of Excellence in Autism and Intellectual Disability Health



 Australian Association of Developmental Disability Medicine.

# What the new Government say they will do



The Labor Party won the federal election.



This means they stay leading the Australian Government.



The Labor Party said they will keep looking into how health care can be fair for everyone.



They said they will keep working on things like the National Roadmap.



They will keep listening to what people with intellectual disability need for their health.

## What is next



CID will keep working hard at making health care better for people with intellectual disability.



We will keep working with the Australian Government to make these changes.



We thank everyone who shared their story.



We feel good about what we have done.

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