

# Disability Responsiveness Plan

## Waikato DHB

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# What are we doing...

- Developing a long-term action plan to respond to the needs of people experiencing disability in the Waikato...
  - Delivering a Health Needs Analysis of people in the Waikato experiencing disability
  - Identification of current barriers, service gaps, and opportunities for improvements
  - Development of an outcomes monitoring and reporting framework for DSAC (DHB's Disability Support Advisory Committee)
  - Recommendations in respect to inter-sectoral linkages
  - Recommendations in respect to disability community engagement and involvement in ongoing system and service development and delivery
  - Actions for the short, medium, and long term



# Why are we doing this...

- One in four New Zealanders (2013 census) live with a disability
- Disability can include physical, mental health, intellectual, sensory or other impairments
- Disability occurs when an individual experiences barriers that hinder the full and effective participation in society on an equal basis with others\*
- The DHB has a responsibility to ensure the services it provides or purchases are responsive to the Disability Community

\*This is an abridged version of the definition used in the NZ Disability Strategy and the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities.



# How are we doing it...

- We are not starting from scratch...The Waikato DHB began this work in February 2017 but the Plan was put on hold while other planning work was framed up and structures were set up
- A reference group including DHB staff and non-DHB staff with expertise in the topic – the group will be action oriented
- Workshops on a draft plan



# Why are we here today?

- For your information
- For your advice...
- As strategic planners in the Waikato (who are familiar with long-term planning)...
  - What has been your biggest hurdle when it comes to engaging with people on a draft long-term action focused plan?
  - What has been your best tool?



# Contact

- If you have anything further to add or want to be involved (actively or passively) please contact me:

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