NDRP 2025/2026 Work Plan



Strategic Focus Area	July - September 2025	October -	- December 2025	January - March 2026	April – June 2026	
Strategic Focus Area 1: Build a sustainable foundation	▶ Engage, collaborate and build long term partnerships					
	Deeply engage with and partner with the disability community, disabled persons and representative organisations, researchers, universities, government and other organisations					
		Implement NDRP's Membership Strategy				
	Secure ongoing funding and support for the NDRP as an enduring enabler for disability led and inclusive research, strengthening capacity and evidence to action					
	Work closely with funders including the Australian Government, state and territory government and other funders to secure ongoing funding and resourcing for the NDRP					
Strategic Focus Area 2: Fund research done by and with people with disability	▶ Fund research aligned to the NDRP research agenda					
	Develop and implement research capacity strengthening activities in the lead up to funding round					
				Open Round 2 Research Funding – Safety of people with disability		
	Partner with governments a	nd other ext	ornal agoncies to fund	d and commission research au	yidad by the research agenda	
	Partner with governments and other external agencies to fund and commission research guided by the research agenda					
	Implement commissioned research pilot on the topic of "Supporting transitions from education/training into employment" in line with NDRP guiding principles					
Strategic Focus Area 3: Strengthen disability research capacity	▶ Advocate for, facilitate, and fund initiatives to increase the pool of researchers with disability					
	Develop and implement a program to fund and support researchers with disability including research fellows and students					
	Launch program to fund/support research higher degree students					
		•		Open funding round for Research Fellowships		
	► Foster institutional and systemic enablers for disability led and inclusive research					
				Commission and develop proand systemic barriers includir standards for inclusive resear equity for researchers with dis	ng developing quality ch, barriers to inclusive ethics,	
	► Enhance capacity for disability led and inclusive research					
	Facilitate communities of practice for NDRP research funding recipients					
	Foster disability inclusive research by developing and sharing tools, resources and learning approaches for inclusive research					
	Work with Disability Representative Organisations to implement recommendations from the Disability Advocacy Network Australia (DANA) "Co-design partnerships: A mutual exchange" report					
Strategic Focus Area 4: Mobilise evidence for action	▶ Improve the accessibility and availability of evidence related to disability					
	Fund the APO Disability Research Collection					
	Synthesise and share evidence related to <u>NDRP Research Agenda</u> in accessible formats					
SK I	Strengthen capacity for the use of evidence in policy and practice Hold quarterly Evidence to Action events to bring together people with disability and their organisations, researchers, government and others to mobilise knowledge, discuss the evidence base, and identify evidence gaps					

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Work with funded research teams and the disability research ecosystem to facilitate knowledge mobilisation