



I want to join LEAP

Disability Lived Experience Advisory Panel



Department of
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This Easy Read was made by the **Disability Division** in the WA Department of Communities.



We are looking for people with disability and family members to join LEAP.



LEAP is short for the Disability Lived Experience Advisory Panel.



LEAP is a group of 10 people with disability and family members.



LEAP gives us advice to make our work better.

How to join LEAP



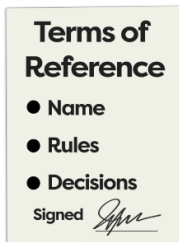
Contact us if you need help.

Email disabilityLEAP@communities.wa.gov.au

Call Beck on 0432 753 010



Please read the information about LEAP first.



You can find out more in the Easy Read document called **Terms of Reference**.



Answer the questions at the end.



You can choose to

- Write in this Easy Read form
- Do the [online form](#)
- Tell us your answers over the phone



Principles

Principles are rules for how we act on LEAP.



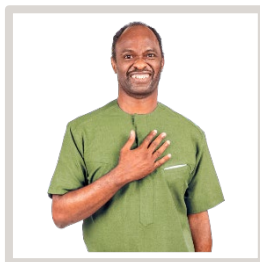
We are **trauma informed**.

Some people have been hurt in the past.

We help these people feel safe.



We help people from different cultures feel safe.



We are responsible for what we say and do.



We help people to speak up.



We show respect.



We are caring.



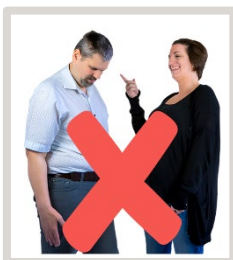
We include everyone.



We celebrate our differences.



We are honest.



We do not judge other people.

Who should join LEAP



People with disability.



Aboriginal people.



People who live in **regional** or **remote** areas outside of Perth.



People who can speak up for children with disability.

What LEAP members do

If you join LEAP you will need to



- Speak up about your life experiences



- Speak up for other people like you



- Listen to other ideas even if you don't agree



- Plan what you want to say before meetings



- Follow government rules for how to behave

How much time it takes



LEAP members stay in the job for 2 years.



Members need to go to LEAP meetings once every 6 weeks.



Each meeting has 4 hours work

- 2 hours to get ready for the meeting
- 2 hours at the meeting



Members may be invited to extra meetings called **out of session meetings** twice a year.

Support and payments



Members are paid \$200 for each meeting.



We will make sure you get the supports you need.

For example

- Easy Read
- Help to get ready for meetings
- A space to calm down



Members can bring a support person if they need.



Members can also get free counselling.

About you



Full name



Address



Phone number



Email address



What is your lived experience?

- I am a person with disability
- I am a family member or carer



2. Tell us about when you have spoken up for yourself or other people with disability?

This could be on a group like LEAP or in your own life.



3. Look at the LEAP principles on pages 3 to 4.

Which ones are most important to you?



How do you do these things in your life?

About your lived experience

Lived experience means the things you have gone through in your life.

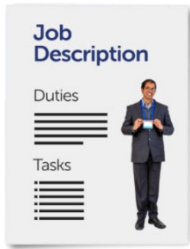
What is your disability lived experience?

- Physical disability
- Sensory disability
- Psychosocial disability
- Neurological disability
- Intellectual disability
- Acquired brain injury
- Neurodevelopmental disability
- Developmental disability
- Speech or communication disability
- Chronic illness or health condition
- Other (please tell us more)

What else is part of your lived experience?

- NDIS
- Regional and remote areas
- Children
- Health
- Quality and safeguarding
- Education
- Advocacy
- Restrictive practices
- Mental health
- Housing
- Child Protection
- Justice
- First Nations
- Complex support needs
- Youth
- Other (please tell us more)

What support do you need?



LEAP members must

- Go to meetings
- Read papers
- Do emails



What support or changes will help you do this work?

- Screen reader accessible documents
- Easy Read
- Large text
- Auslan
- Sensory room
- Captions
- Something else
- Plain language
- Support to read papers
- Support in meetings
- Extra breaks
- Social stories

Please tell us more about what you need



More about you



Where do you live?

- Perth city Regional or remote



Are you Aboriginal?

- Yes No Do not want to say



How old are you?

- 18 to 24 25 to 34 35 to 44 45 to 54
 55 to 64 65 or older Do not want to say



Are you LGBTQIA+?

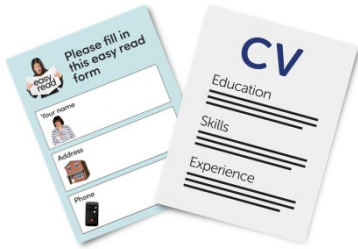
- Yes No Do not want to say



Are you from a different culture or do you speak a different language?

- Yes No Do not want to say

Next steps



Please send us

- Your answers
- and
- Your **resume**

Resume is also called a CV



Email

disabilityLEAP@communities.wa.gov.au



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