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Getting Into The Act



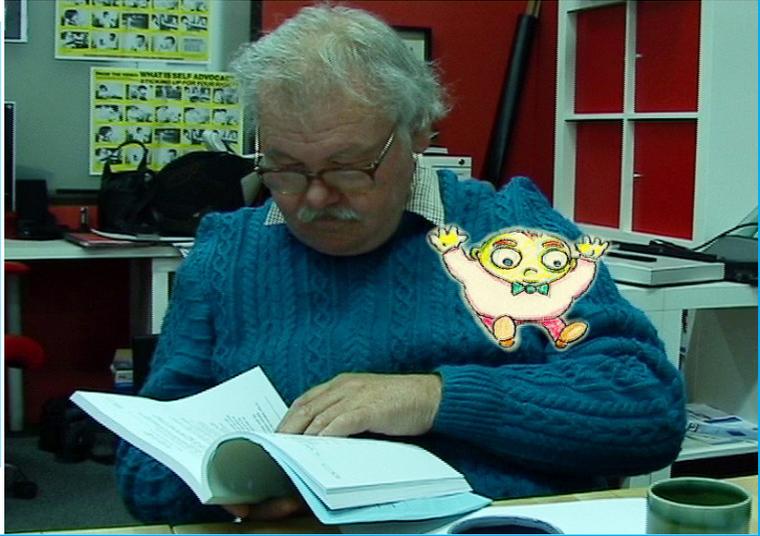


Introduction

Welcome to our 'Getting Into the Act' DVD and booklet. The DVD is made up of eleven sections that explore the new Victorian Disability Act of 2006. So find out what it means for all you self advocates out there. You will learn how you can use it in your life if you get services from the Victorian government. You will also learn how your self advocacy group can help and give advice about the Act to other people. We hope you find it informative as well as entertaining!

Section 1. The Introduction. 4 min

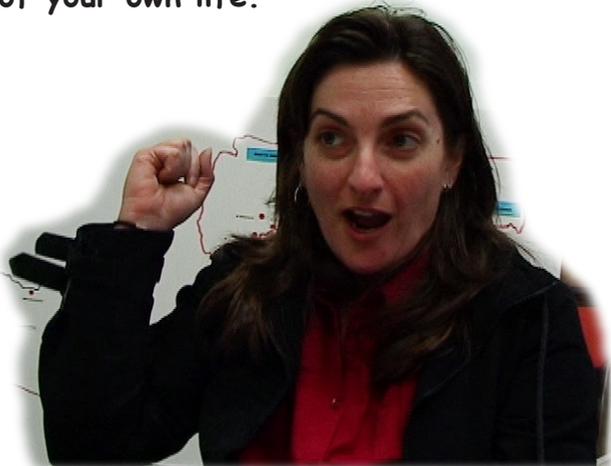
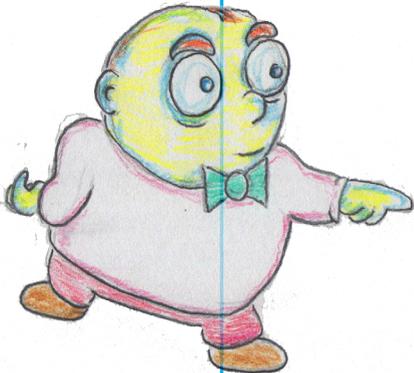
You need to watch this first, too find out who everyone is in the Help Raisers Self Advocacy group. (or is it the Hell Raisers?) There is a surprise in store when David opens the Disability Act Book.



Section 2. What is the Disability Act? 2 min

Well what is this new Act? How does it work?

People with a disability have the same rights as anyone else. The new law says that people receiving services should be treated in a good way. Find out how you have the right to be the boss of your own life.



Section 3. Service Provision 4min

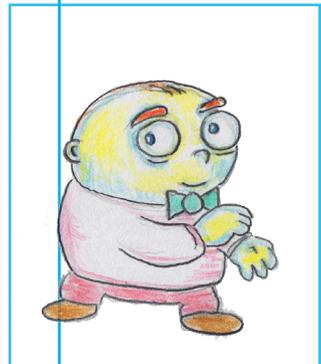
The Act changes the way people get disability services, by making it easier for people with disability's to get services they need. It's your right to ask for support and services that other people in the community get.



Section 4. Privacy 3min

The Disability Act protects your rights! The Act says you have the right to privacy.

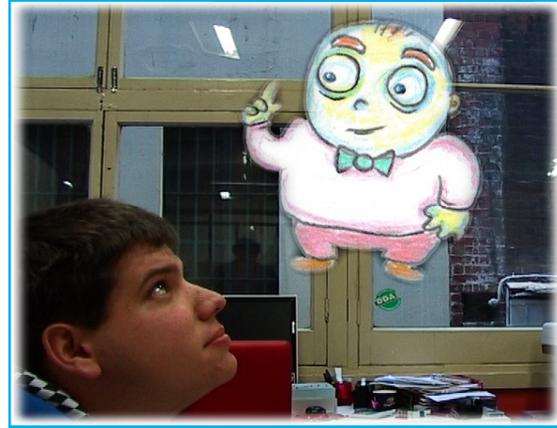
It's about respecting our dignity and privacy. This section helps you to find out what you can do if you are not getting your privacy rights.



Section 5. Information 3 min

One of the things the new Act talks about is making sure information is easy to understand. The law now says you should get information in a way you can understand. Your service provider must give you information on:

- 1- The services you use
- 2 - Your rights
- 3 - How to make a complaint



Section 6 Complaints 3 min

The Disability Act say's it's Ok to make a complaint about how you are being treated at your home or day centre etc. If someone is upsetting you and you don't think it's fair, you can complain! Remember the new Act tells disability service providers they must tell you how to make a complaint.



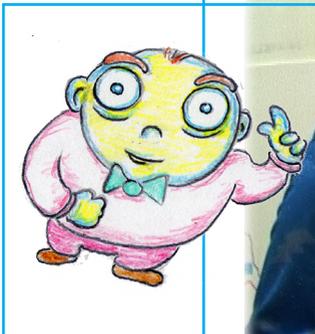
Section 7. Planning 2 min

The Disability Act says that you should be in charge of planning for your life. You are the boss of your own life. Thinking and talking about the things you want to do in your life is called planning. Your service provider must support you with planning.



Section 8. Residents Rights 5 min

The new law also talks about the responsibilities of residential or housing service's. They have to provide information to all residents about the service they provide for you. Find out how the Community Visitor can help you if you are not happy with your service.



Section 9. Restrictive Intervention 9 min

Two self advocates visit the Senior Practitioner. It is the job of the Senior Practitioner to protect the rights of people with 'Behaviors of concern' That is people who might harm themselves or others. Find out how the Senior Practitioners office can help these people.



Section 10. Standards 6 min

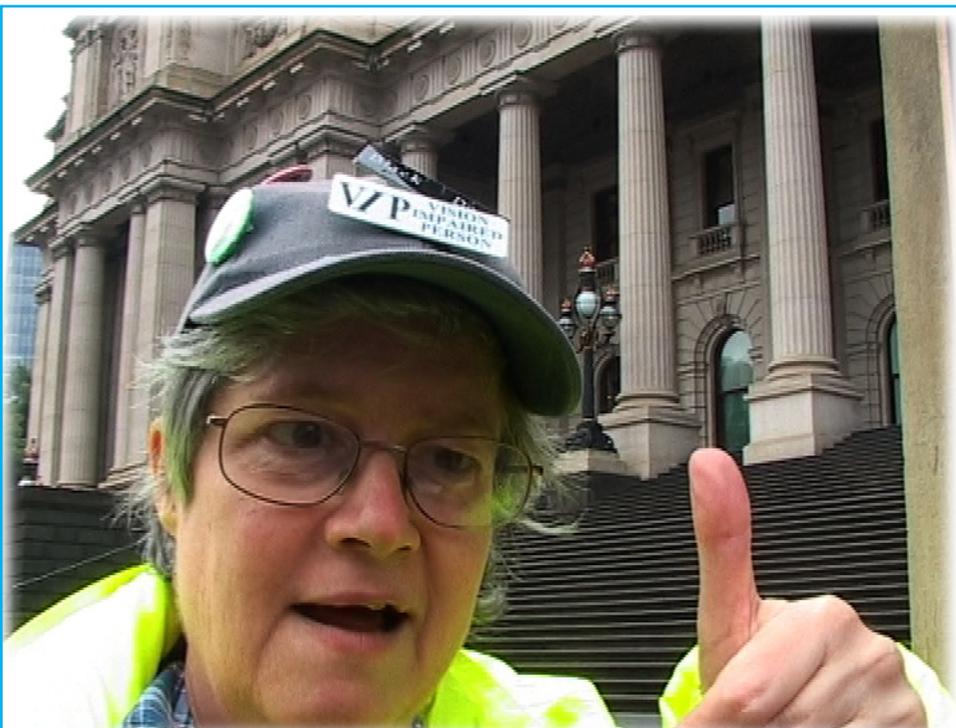
In the Act there are rules that say your disability services has to make sure that they provide high quality services. These rules are called Disability Standards. Your disability service has to meet these standards. Check out the DVD to find out what they are. . .





Section 11. Human Rights 4 min

One of the things the Act talks about is Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities Act. It shows the government's commitment to human rights. On the steps of the Victorian parliament, self advocate Amanda talks about Human Rights and what it means for self advocates.



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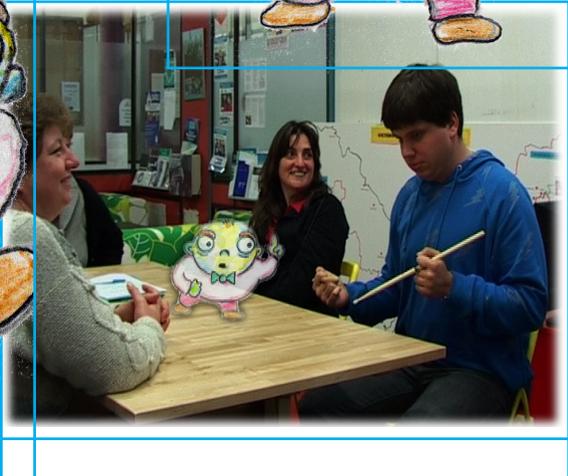
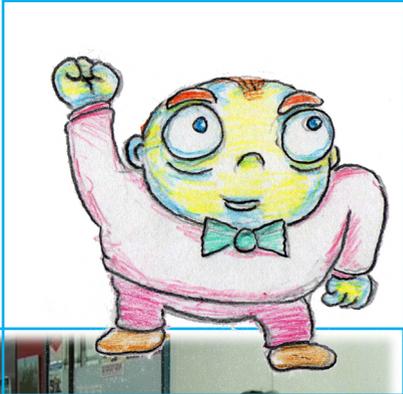
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