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| May 2023 Newsletter |

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| **Update from the Commissioner**Welcome to our May newsletter. We're pleased to be meeting and engaging with different organisations across the disability sector. If you are interested in having me or other representatives from the Commission come and talk to your organisation about the work we are doing please email us at education@vdwc.vic.gov.au. This month the Commission presented at the VALID Eastern self-advocacy network meeting and also to Voice at the Table.The Commission also had a booth at the Melbourne Disability Connection Expo. The Expo was a wonderful opportunity to meet with people, tell them about the work of the Commission, and respond to any queries people had about our functions. You can read more about our time at the Expo in this newsletter.We have also produced a new animated video about how to register as a disability worker, which is published on our website There are more details in our **News and Updates** section below. |

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| **For the disability workforce** |

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| **Are you a disability worker or have an interest in the training and development of disability workers? We need your help.**To get a better understanding of what training and development opportunities are available for disability workers, or that workers wish to see made available in Victoria, we are seeking your participation in a survey.The survey will take approximately 5 minutes to complete. If you are interested in providing your feedback you can [**complete the survey here**](https://forms.office.com/r/aPk683fJAY).Thank you for your valuable feedback. |

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| **Events** |

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| **Melbourne Disability Connection Expo** |

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| The Commission had a booth at the Expo, held on 21 and 22 April at the Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre. Visitors to our booth had great conversations with our team, asked questions and picked up resources to share. It was wonderful to hear directly from people with disability, families, disability workers and others. Events like this help the Commission to strengthen our work in the sector. We look forward to seeing you at the next one! |

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| **News and updates** |

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| **How to apply for disability worker registration – animated video**The Commission has produced an animated video outlining the application process for disability worker registration. By becoming registered disability workers in Victoria can show they have the skills to deliver quality services and are committed to a safer, stronger disability sector. There are a few things to prepare before beginning the registration process and this video outlines all the important details. Check out the video on our [website](https://www.vdwc.vic.gov.au/watch-our-video-applying-disability-worker-registration) and social media channels. |
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| **Our regulatory approach**The Commission and the Disability Worker Registration Board of Victoria are pleased to release a document outlining our regulatory approach. This describes who we are, how we do our work and what to expect from us. Our regulatory approach also sets out the work we undertake, how we make decisions and the types of action we can take. We explain the high-level principles that guide our work to meet our vision for people with disability to be able to choose services that best meet their needs and supports their quality of life free from abuse and neglect. To read our regulatory approach please [click here](https://www.vdwc.vic.gov.au/sites/default/files/2023-05/VDWC%20Regulatory%20approach.pdf).For an accessible version please [click here](https://www.vdwc.vic.gov.au/sites/default/files/2023-05/VDWC%20Regulatory%20approach_accessible.docx). |

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