



Summary:

- Disability Action Week

Message feedback



Audience: All staff



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For: Information

Dear Team

This week is [Disability Action Week](#), 23–30 November, an excellent chance to reflect on what each of us can do to build more accessible and inclusive communities. This year's theme *Communicate. Connect. Create.* focuses on the importance of accessible communication in action.

In Queensland, more than 1 in 5 people report some form of disability. As part of Metro North, Australia's largest public health service, Community and Oral Health (COH) has a significant proportion of people accessing our services who have disability related needs. This includes our community, staff members, families, carers and supporters.

As part of our genuine commitment to creating more inclusive communities and workplaces for everyone, I am pleased to share that COH has a number of initiatives and activities in place for staff to engage in and contribute to.

COH All Abilities Working Group

COH has an established All Abilities Working Group to help inform the development of a COH diverse abilities action plan. The purpose of this plan is to deliver meaningful and practical action for the inclusion of people with disability. I invite interested staff to contact Kate Schulz, Director Allied Health COH via email: COH-DAH@health.qld.gov.au

International Day of People with Disability - December 3

A reminder that we will be celebrating International Day of People with Disability on December 3 with three great activities for staff to show their support: See details below:

- [Staff Awards nomination](#)

- [Visual Art competition](#)
- [Staff Vidcast - 1pm - join here](#)

If you'd like to share your experiences to improve diversity and inclusion at COH, please email Kate Schulz via email: COH-DAH@health.qld.gov.au

Thank you for your support in helping make COH a more inclusive environment for everyone.

Glynis Schultz
Executive Director

Metro North Health



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Respect | Integrity | Compassion | High Performance | Teamwork



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Creating healthier futures together—where innovation and research meets compassionate care and community voices shape our services.



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