

**Disability Health Framework 2015–2020**



**Improving the health care of   
people with disability**

Easy English version

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| http://intranet.health.wa.gov.au/Communications/template/logos/department_of_health_long_colour.png | The **Disability Health Network** wrote the Framework. For Disability Health Network we will write the **Network**.  The Network is a group of people. They all want people with disability to have better health care. |
|  | This book is about the Western Australian Disability Health Framework 2015–2025: improving the health care of people with disability*.*  We will write the **Framework** in this book.  Lots of people including people with disability, their families and carers have helped to write the Framework. |

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| W:\Health Reform\EPG\HN-Directorate Support\Communications\Image Library\Freepik\Disability\Disability-character-collection\pair1.png | **What will help people with disability be healthier?**   1. Health organisations should understand more about people with disability. 2. Health organisations should make people with disability feel welcome. 3. Health organisations should make sure that their buildings are easy for people with disability to access. 4. When health organisations work with people with disability they should be flexible. 5. When health organisations work with people with disability they should be **respectful**. 6. Health organisations should work together with people with disability, their families and carers. 7. When health organisations work with people with disability they should always try to work better. |
| W:\Health Reform\EPG\HN-Directorate Support\Communications\Image Library\Freepik\Disability\Labels-charity-flat-design\hearthands.png | **Respect** means that we treat people in a way that shows we care what they think and feel. |
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| W:\Health Reform\EPG\HN-Directorate Support\Communications\Image Library\Freepik\Disability\Check-marks-sticker-style\tick.png | **How will we know if this Framework works?**  People who use the Framework will be asked if it works.  People with disability will feel more involved in their health care if the Framework works. |

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