



Position Description

Australian and New Zealand Cerebral Palsy Strategy Lived Experience Advisory Panel (LEAP) Member

Nominations are being sought for individuals with lived experience as a person with cerebral palsy (CP), or as a family member/supporter of someone with CP, to join the Lived Experience Advisory Panel (LEAP) for the Australian and New Zealand Cerebral Palsy Strategy.

Background

The Australian and New Zealand Cerebral Palsy Strategy (“The Strategy”) is a comprehensive document that will act as a strategic blueprint for the field of CP. The Strategy was developed through extensive consultation with the CP community and as such reflects the priorities of people with CP, their families, and professionals in the field.

The vision of The Strategy is for people with CP and their families to have a positive quality of life and to have control over their own life choices. We also want to prevent CP and make life better for people who have CP.

The mission of The Strategy is to improve quality of life, health and community inclusion for people with CP by providing the best possible healthcare, disability support, research and community awareness. As such, The Strategy comprises four goal areas: (1) Inclusion and engagement, (2) Health and well-being, (3) Intervention and disability support, and (4) Prevention and cures. Under each of these goal areas are a range of short-term, medium-term and long-term priority objectives. Success indicators provide benchmarks with which to measure success towards meeting the Strategy’s priority objectives over the 5-year review period.

The Australian and New Zealand Cerebral Palsy Strategy Collaboration (“The Collaboration”) is the core group of individuals and organisations that was originally established to develop The Strategy. The Collaboration comprises representatives from national CP focused organisations, service providers, researchers, as well as people with CP, or family members/supporters of someone with CP from Australia and New Zealand.

Since the launch of The Strategy in March 2020, the focus of The Collaboration has now shifted to overseeing implementation and ongoing revision of The Strategy. The Collaboration remains committed to progressing the priorities and success indicators outlined in The Strategy and to continue to advocate with people with CP and their families.

Lived Experience Advisory Panel (LEAP)

- *LEAP* comprises individuals with lived experience of CP, or who are a family member/supporter of someone with CP, who are interested in being involved with the implementation of The Strategy, on an ad hoc basis.



Key responsibilities of LEAP Members

- Be willing to be called upon to:
 - Provide advice or expertise for specific Strategy-related activities
 - Review documents
 - Participate in, guide or even help plan consumer consultation activities
- You may choose to be involved in working group/s, to address specific priority areas of The Strategy
- Promote and/or champion The Strategy and its associated activities through your network/s

What's expected?

- *LEAP* is designed to provide opportunities for engagement on an ad hoc basis. It will be up to you to determine your preferred level of involvement.
- We are aware that many people have numerous, competing demands, and we will always endeavour to give a reasonable timeframe for any requests to the LEAP.
- We anticipate that the majority of engagement will be conducted online via email, with some the potential to participate via teleconference/ videoconference.
- There is no minimum or maximum term of involvement for LEAP Members.

What are the benefits to you?

- Opportunity to be directly involved in shaping the implementation and development of The Strategy
- Flexibility to be involved as much, or as little, as you like in the activities of The Strategy/The Collaboration

Support

- Involvement in LEAP is primarily a voluntary activity without financial compensation. However, from time to time, there may be opportunities to be involved in certain tasks that require more time and commitment, for example participating in working groups to progress specific success indicators. Under these circumstances:
 - These activities will be reimbursed at a rate of AUD\$30/hour, with time commitment/payment amount to be agreed upon on a case-by-case basis prior to work being undertaken.
 - Moreover, if required, support worker costs will be reimbursed at a rate of AUD\$50/hour

To find out more

If you would like to hear more or to ask questions please contact us:

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If you are interested

Please complete the **LEAP Nomination Form** below: