

Workstream 3: Planning conversations to co-design, implement and evaluate community- level DIDRR



The aim of Workstream 3 is to engage Local Councils to lead cross-sector planning conversations in co-design, implementation, and evaluation of community-level Disability Inclusive Disaster Risk Reduction (DIDRR). The University of Sydney will support Local Councils to initiate cross-sector planning for DIDRR together with community and disability support services in their local areas. User-focused monitoring and evaluation approaches will support Local Councils to develop, monitor and evaluate cross-sector collaboration to achieve community-level DIDRR outcomes and communicate those findings to the Local, District and State Disaster Management Groups (DMG). Resources will showcase innovative DIDRR actions and provide direction to local, district and state-level disaster management groups on how they can develop, embed and sustain collaboration for DIDRR at the local community level.

Objectives

Local Councils and DMGs are supported to enable:

- an increase in access to disaster risk management information and resources for people with disability, their family and carers
- an expansion of cross-sector collaboration and formalisation of processes for inclusive community engagement with people with disability and their representative organisations and community and disability support services
- groups to use, modify or develop DIDRR resources to support collaborative effort
- identify current networks of services and supports for DIDRR
- innovation in DIDRR practice at the local community level and develop leadership for DIDRR in Queensland communities

Key Activities

The Person-Centred Emergency Preparedness (PCEP) and DIDRR Toolkits will be used to support Local Councils to engage in a structured and facilitated approach to developing cross-sector collaboration for DIDRR involving a series of planning meetings, activities and workshops as they learn together with local community and disability support providers and disability advocates about the unmet needs of people with disability in emergencies. Emergency managers and community development practitioners are given support to lead cross-sector collaboration for PCEP and DIDRR that can be: (a) embedded into the routine activities of Council (community engagement; disaster planning); and (b) tested for their effectiveness in increasing the resilience of people with disability to disaster. In doing so, they will develop capacity and expand collaboration for DIDRR at the local level of communities, where disasters happen.

Locations

Projects will take place in five Local Government Areas (LGA): Brisbane, Ipswich and surrounds, Moreton Bay, Rockhampton and surrounds and Townsville.

Products

- Report that shares process, actions, project reach and learnings, with case examples from the participating LGAs
- Videos and infographics that showcase Workstream 3 findings

Outputs

- Participating Councils lead the development of DIDRR through local collaboration and community engagement that includes meaningful participation of people with disability and their representative organisations
- Councils have a user-friendly monitoring and evaluation tool for tracking community-level planning conversations to develop DIDRR
- DIDRR project processes and outcomes are communicated to the Local, District, and State DMGs
- Multi-stakeholder engagement, participation and reach of all DIDRR activities are monitored and reported
- The DIDRR Resource Library is updated with resources used, modified, or developed through DIDRR.

Where can I learn more?

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