

Living with Disability RESEARCH CENTRE

Are you an adult with an acquired brain injury? Does someone support you to make decisions?

As the NDIS rolls out people with acquired brain injury and their families should have more choices about the services they receive and greater control over their own lives.

Effective support for decision making is increasingly important for people with an acquired brain injury.



La Trobe University researchers Professor Christine Bigby and Professor Jacinta Douglas have been leading research into the processes of decision making and what makes for effective support. They have developed an evidence based practice framework to guide supporters and a set of resources for supporters.

We are seeking your participation in a study that aims to trial these resources for supporters. The study involves 2x3 hours free training sessions for decision supporters (family, friend or paid supporter) followed by a series of interviews with both the supporter and the person with acquired brain they support.

The study is supported by an Australian Research Council Linkage grant and Industry Partners.

If you are interested in participating or want to know more please contract:

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This project has ethical approval from La Trobe University.

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