

## **MINISTER'S DISABILITY ADVISORY COUNCIL**

### **INFORMATION FOR APPLICANTS**

The South Australian Minister for Disability, the Hon Jennifer Rankine MP, is seeking to appoint three people to fill current vacancies on the Minister's Disability Advisory Council (MDAC).

The MDAC comprises people with a lived experience of disability (that is a person with a disability or someone who is a carer, parent or family member of a person with a disability) who has an interest in disability issues.

Younger people, Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander people and those from regional or remote areas of South Australia are particularly encouraged to apply.

Applicants are advised that this is not an advocacy role. Selection is not dependent on previous experience with advisory committees. The role is to develop high level, strategic advice to the Minister for Disability on directions and issues relating to access and inclusion for people with disabilities across the whole of government and the whole of community.

Council members will be involved in regular discussions with disability leaders across government and non-governmental sectors and advocacy organisations in order to develop well considered and informed advice.

There are currently three vacancies with appointments up to 31 December 2012. Please note that members may be eligible to apply for a further term of appointment.

#### **Selection criteria**

- Interest in the rights of people with disabilities
- Aware of current disability issues at state, national and international levels
- Willing to develop ideas and strategies that address the barriers encountered by people with disabilities
- Able to provide practical advice that reflects the views of a broad range of people with disabilities
- Able to work as part of a team with a willingness to listen, contribute, debate and consider the issues under consideration by the Council
- Willing to be involved in community consultation processes

People who are South Australian Government employees are not eligible for membership of the Council and, therefore, should not apply.

#### **How to apply**

Applicants are required to address the above selection criteria in a letter of no more than three pages, to be accompanied by a current Curriculum Vitae.

**Submitting Applications**

Applications may be submitted in a range of formats for example audio format, electronically via email or printed as a hard copy, and must be received by 5pm on Friday 11th March. They should be addressed to:

Neil Lillecrapp  
Deputy Chairperson  
Minister's Disability Advisory Council  
GPO Box 292  
Adelaide SA 5000

Or emailed to  
[DisabilityServices@dfc.sa.gov.au](mailto:DisabilityServices@dfc.sa.gov.au)

All applicants will be advised in writing of the outcome of their application at the conclusion of the selection process.

**Further information**

The MDAC Terms of Reference are attached and contain comprehensive detail on operational aspects of the Council. Appropriate levels of support will be provided to members as necessary in order to support their work on the Council.

Further information about the Minister's Disability Advisory Council can be obtained by contacting:  
Pat Coidan, Disability, Ageing and Carers on 8415 4368 or  
[pat.coidan@dfc.sa.gov.au](mailto:pat.coidan@dfc.sa.gov.au)