



**Information Service**  
South Australia



## News

Dear SA community members.

My apologies for not getting this out to more promptly after my visit to SA in August. During the visit, I was able to visit a number of hospitals, and also meet with 27 families over the 4 days. I met with a number of stakeholders and contacted several more. Thank you to everyone for your warmth and kindness. I enjoyed meeting you all, attending the Parent presentation at Flinders medical was an absolute highlight. The parent group were incredible sharing their stories with over 150 medical students.

During the visit a number of key things were discussed including

- The possibility of a new community based organisation to support the SA Down syndrome community.
- Some additional age specific Facebook groups to support specific groups such as Primary and Secondary school aged children. These are coming!
- We also discussed the need to have a person on the ground in SA. We absolutely agree and you will find the job ad for the role below.

Over the last 3 months we have responded to 12 family specific emails and a number of phone calls from the community.

In an important step forward, we have included a link to a survey open to people with Down syndrome and their families / carers. The survey seeks to collate data on the interest for a new community based association in South Australia that would provide a platform to increase services and connections within the Down syndrome community.

Please share the link for the survey (below) and the position advertisement on any community social media that you have for the community.

Warm regards  
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# SA Down Syndrome Community

## New Association

## Survey



This survey seeks to understand the interest of the SA community in having a new, community based, association established. Please fill in the form via the link below and be sure to share with your networks.

<https://forms.office.com/r/V0Gubt8Hag>



Cassandra meeting some wonderful members of the SA community, Jodie and Sam on her latest trip to SA



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Supporting People with Down Syndrome  
in South Australia

# We are Hiring!

We are seeking a person to support the Down syndrome community in South Australia

- Provide Support to new families
- Engage families from the Down syndrome community
- Support the delivery of key annual events
- Engage with hospitals and other key stakeholders
- Provide reporting, CRM data entry, Communications on activities

## Role:

- 12 Hours per week (flexible)
- Lived Experience Highly regarded
- Reside in or near to Adelaide
- Ability to travel

## Apply Now!

Send your Resume and a  
Cover Letter (addressing the selection criteria)  
[InfoSA@downsyndrome.org.au](mailto:InfoSA@downsyndrome.org.au)

Find the link to the position description and selection criteria below. Please ensure to address selection criteria in your application.

Please email applications to  
[infosa@downsyndrome.org.au](mailto:infosa@downsyndrome.org.au)

<https://www.downsyndrome.org.au/wa/wp-content/uploads/sites/11/2024/10/DSWA-PD-Fam-Support-SA.pdf>

## DSA Resources

Have you used the Resource Hub on the Down Syndrome Australia website?

This covers a huge range of topics including housing, health care, navigating legal issues, relationships and education.

See the full range of resources  
at <https://www.downsyndrome.org.au/wa/resources/resource-hub/>

## Down Syndrome Regression Disorder

There is some amazing new resources and researching coming out about DSRD.  
Click the links below to learn more or get support

General information: <https://www.downsyndrome.org.au/resources/health/down-syndrome-regression-disorder/>

Self assessment tool: <https://www.downsyndrome.org.au/wa/resources/resource-downloads/down-syndrome-regression-disorder-dsrd/dsrd-resources/>

DSRD Support: <https://www.facebook.com/DSRDAustralia>

## Compliments and Complaints

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