Why we are giving free support

A Royal Commission looks into important things. It is done by people who are not part of the government.

Royal Commissions talk to people and get evidence to understand the truth.

It can then tell the government what should change.

Right now, there is a Disability Royal Commission (DRC) into Violence, Abuse, Neglect and Exploitation of People with Disability. It is finding out about the bad things that sometimes happen to people living with disability.

The DRC has listened to stories from people with disability. It has learned that people with disability are sometimes ignored and don't always get the support they need when they have been abused, exploited or neglected.

The DRC says it's not okay that despite big improvements in the past 50 years, people with disability are twice as likely as people without disability to experience violence.

The Disability Royal Commission wants to find support for people who have had bad experiences and to make sure the same bad things don’t happen to other people.

Because of the Disability Royal Commission, we have free counselling for people with disability who have had bad experiences. Counselling can help to make you feel better. You can get counselling face-to-face, over the phone or online.

To find out more about the Disability Royal Commission into Violence, Abuse, Neglect and Exploitation of People with Disability, visit <https://disability.royalcommission.gov.au/>