



# Launch of the Disability Participation and Consultation Network



Ireland is putting the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities into action.



It says that persons with disabilities should get a say when laws and policies are written.



To make sure that this happens, the Government is setting up a new group.



This group is called the Disability Participation and Consultation Network.



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The Government will listen to what persons with disabilities have to say.

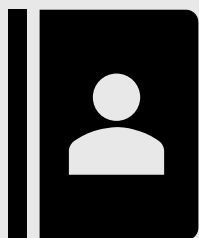


They will think about their views when they make important decisions.



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Department of Children, Equality,  
Disability, Integration and Youth

The Department of Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth is setting up the Network.



To start with, the Department looked for organisations to run the Network.  
These organisations are paid for this work.



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Now, we are looking for persons with disabilities and Disabled Persons Organisations to be members of the Network.



Members will make sure that persons with disabilities are listened to when laws and policies are put together.



Members will work with others in the Network.



Members will take part in workshops and meetings. This could be in person or online. They might be asked to answer questions on a form.



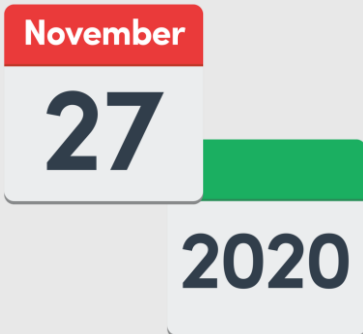
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We need people and organisations from different places in Ireland and with different experiences.



The Department would like to hear from groups that find it hard to take part in politics and public life.



You must apply before 11a.m. on Friday 27th November 2020.



More information and the application form are on our website

[www.gov.ie/en/organisation/department-of-children-equality-disability-integration-and-youth/](http://www.gov.ie/en/organisation/department-of-children-equality-disability-integration-and-youth/)