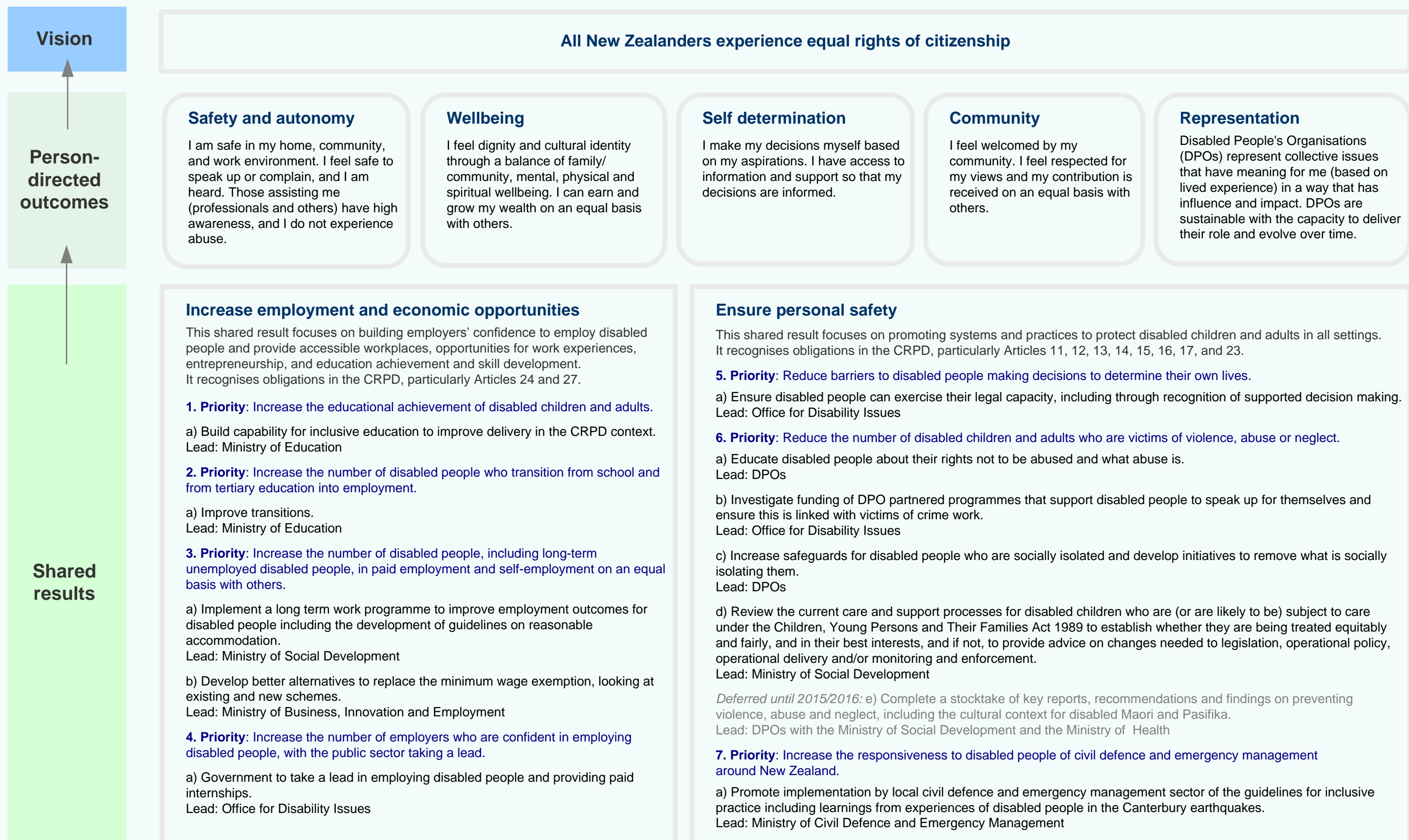


Disability Action Plan 2014-2018: cross-government priorities to make a difference

Ministerial Committee on Disability Issues' priorities to advance implementation of the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD) and the New Zealand Disability Strategy



Shared results
(continued)

Transform the disability support system

This shared result focuses on ensuring effective engagement with disabled people and coordination across sectors and across agencies to focus on outcomes and maximum progress from available resources. It recognises obligations in the CRPD, particularly Articles 19, 20, and 26.

8. Priority: Promote disabled people having choice and control over their supports/services, and make more efficient use of disability support funding.

a) Evaluate learning from the Enabling Good Lives Christchurch demonstration in 2014/2015, and consider in 2015/2016 improved assessment processes which are culturally responsive, strength based, holistic, involve whānau (whānau ora principles), and are integrated (for example in Enabling Good Lives).
Lead: Ministry of Social Development, Ministry of Health, Ministry of Education

b) Enabling Good Lives demonstration in Christchurch with the involvement of DPOs.
Lead: Ministry of Social Development, Ministry of Health, Ministry of Education

Deferred until 2015/2016: c) A good start in life: Develop policy options to improve government supports for parents, family and whānau of disabled children aged 0-6 years.
Lead: Ministry of Education

9. Priority: Promote the involvement of Disabled People's Organisations in the design and monitoring of the disability support system transformation.

a) DPOs and government working together - joint work programme on involving DPOs in decisions that affect disabled people agreed by the Chief Executives' Group on Disability Issues and Independent Monitors on 21 August 2013.
Lead: Office for Disability Issues, DPOs

10. Priority: Increase the capability of disability support service providers to be of service to disabled people.

a) Develop and implement effective ways for disabled people and DPOs to provide feedback (both qualitative and quantitative) safely about the quality of services and support and to monitor, evaluate, and scrutinise and make providers accountable to funders for achieving outcomes
Lead: Ministry of Health

Deferred until 2015/2016: b) Ensure providers are responsive to disabled people and provide choice and tailoring of services. Explore how provider performance should be assessed, including through accreditation, provider performance measurement, and contract monitoring systems.
Lead: Ministry of Health

Deferred until 2015/2016: c) Explore how the Mental Health (Compulsory Assessment and Treatment) Act 1992 relates to the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990 and the CRPD.
Lead: Ministry of Health

Promote access in the community

This shared result focuses on:

- accessible buildings and spaces, transport, urban design
- accessible information, communications
- access to health services, justice services
- political and civic participation.

It recognises obligations in the CRPD, particularly Articles 5, 8, 9, 21, 25, 29, and 30.

11. Priority: Increase government services' responsiveness to disabled people.

a) Increase accessibility of information across government agencies.
Lead: Office for Disability Issues and DPOs

b) Understand the journey through the justice sector for disabled adults, disabled children and their families through the development of a National Data Standard for Disability.
Lead: Ministry of Justice

c) Increase access to health services and improve health outcomes for disabled people with a specific focus on people with learning/intellectual disabilities.
Lead: Ministry of Health

12. Priority: Increase the accessibility for disabled people of the built environment and transport services.

a) Understand the issues with accessibility for disabled people of transport services, by completing a stocktake using the Human Rights Commission's Accessible Journey report recommendations as a framework, and then in 2015/2016 determine options to improve the accessibility of transport services.
Lead: Ministry of Transport, New Zealand Transport Agency

b) Review of the building accessibility regulatory system.
Lead: Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment, Office for Disability Issues

13. Priority: Promote disabled people participating in political and civic processes.

a) DPOs to complete a stocktake of what are the areas needing the most attention and which will make the biggest difference to promote disabled people participating in political and civic processes. ODI will convene a discussion with DPOs and relevant government agencies to discuss priorities from the DPOs stocktake and identify possible actions.
Lead: DPOs

Governance

Ministerial Committee on Disability Issues

Chief Executives' Group on Disability Issues and DPOs

Quarterly meetings to:
1. review progress with implementation; and
2. provide feedback on the working relationship between DPOs and government agencies

Interim until end 2014:
Government agencies (Senior Officials Group on Disability Issues) to attend part of the monthly DPOs-only meetings to support the Disability Action Plan governance and implementation arrangements

Implementation

Working group: Promote access in the community

Working group: Transform the disability support system

Working group: Increase employment and economic opportunities

Working group: Ensure personal safety