



**Ray Williams**  
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## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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### **CELEBRATING INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PEOPLE WITH DISABILITY**

Minister for Disability Services Ray Williams today joined people with disability, their carers and families to celebrate International Day of People with Disability.

Mr Williams said the day was about empowering people with disability and promoting the importance of building inclusive communities for everyone to enjoy.

“I appreciate the efforts of everyone in the community committed to ensuring people with disability have the opportunity to live fulfilling lives,” Mr Williams said.

“People with disability, their carers, families and the disability sector have embraced major changes over the last five years with the rollout of the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS).

“The NSW Liberals & Nationals Government is working hard with the Commonwealth Government to ensure the NDIS is a success and delivers for the people of NSW.”

Mr Williams hosted an event in Seven Hills to thank more than 70 stakeholders for their contribution to the disability sector.

At the event, Mr Williams reflected on the achievements of the NSW sector this year.

“More than 100,000 people with disability, including 31,000 who never received supports previously, are thriving under the NDIS with more choice and control over the way they live their lives.”

“Other NSW Government initiatives such as Ability Links NSW also continue to provide people with disability an opportunity to connect with the community so they can reach their goals and aspirations.”

International Day of People with Disability is a day designated by the United Nations to recognise and acknowledge the achievements, contributions and abilities of people with disability.

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