Dietitians Australia

Access to food, fluids and nutrition care for people with disability during the COVID-19 pandemic - Submission 2020

Submitted to the Royal Commission into Violence, Abuse, Neglect and Exploitation of People with Disability (May 2020).

Our submission highlights some of our concerns about the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on access to food, fluids and nutrition care for people with disability.

We support access to Accredited Practising Dietitian services during the pandemic, in line with national guidelines to ensure safe practice and reduce the risk of infection. We also support efforts to ensure equal access to food, fluids and nutrition care for all people with disability during the pandemic.

We have given recommendations to address food and nutrition issues, to ensure the health and wellbeing of people with disability during the current pandemic.

Our recommendations look at:

- access to foods, fluids and nutrition
- access to nutrition supports and services
- workforce and financial concerns of dietitians

To read our recommendations, download our full submission.

Get in touch

If you have questions about this submission, contact us at policy@dietitiansaustralia.org.au