

Disability Employment Forum

LONG-TERM STRATEGIC PLAN: Equitable Labour Market Participation Rates and Income Levels for Disabled People

Our Vision: Disabled people experience the same opportunities, access to employment and income levels as all New Zealanders.

How:

- Disabled people lead a whole of system, community-led and integrated approach to achieving this vision.
- New Zealand is committed to a long-term strategy to improve the economic development and employment rates for disabled people.

Our Goals:

1. **Disabled People** (and their families) know that employment is an achievable goal.
2. **Schools** are skilled and resourced so that all students with disabilities leave school with pathways into post-school education, training and/or employment.
3. **Employment and Community Support providers** are skilled and resourced to work with disabled people to achieve their employment goals.
4. **Employers** provide workplace supports/accommodations for all employees.
5. **Government** is committed to implementing a long-term, specific employment strategy for disabled people.

Key Actions 2015:

1. Disability Confident Employment Strategy
2. Develop an economic argument for employment of disabled people, specific to NZ
3. Engage with a wide range of groups about our key messages.

