



Disability services. Putting you first.

At our Human Rights committee meeting.



Easy English



The Human Rights Advisory Committee had a meeting on

- Thursday
- October 2
- 2025



Some people joined from a video call on the computer.

Some people joined together in a room.



The co-chairs were

- Elyce Shearer
- Judy Topper



At the meeting were

- Aruma staff
- Family member
- Board Director
- Participants



The board director was Chris Edward.



Elyce

- welcomed everyone
- gave the Acknowledgement to Country

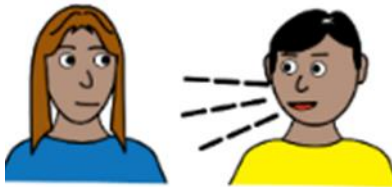


Judy asked us if we agreed on what we talked about in our last meeting.

things to do



We did.



Elyce spoke about how to make the meetings easy to understand.

things to do



Elyce made a list for members to follow.
The list tells us things like

- to use plain language
- do not use big words
- put your hand up when you speak
- say your name when you speak



This list will be given to people who want to talk to us.

better



Roxanne Higgins talked about a better way for Aruma to support participants.



This means when you join Aruma you speak to one staff person.

write down



They write down things about you.

You only do this once.



People at the meeting liked the better way to support Aruma participants.



People at the meeting thought of things to add like

- human Rights
- find out what people want
- make a participant profile



People from Hunter Circles talked at the meeting.

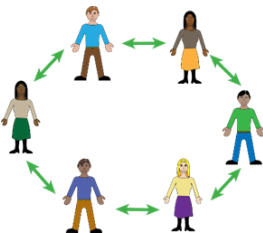
They were

- Jen Cush
- Lee Creighton
- Harrison Chapman

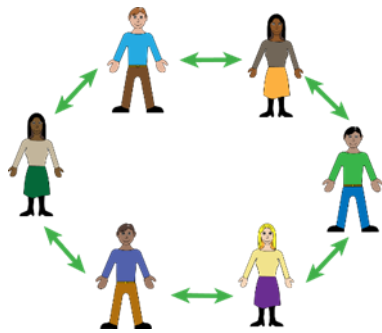


Hunter Circles help you find people

- who want to be with you
- that are not paid to be with you

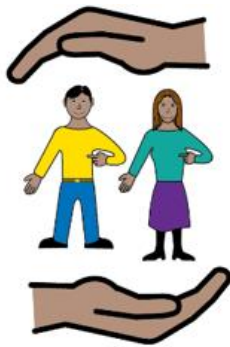


Hunter Circles help you connect with the community.



Connecting with the community is about

- meeting new people
- joining in
- people caring about you



Hunter Circles help you connect with people you want in your life.

This helps you feel

- safe
- happy



People at the meeting liked Hunter Circles.



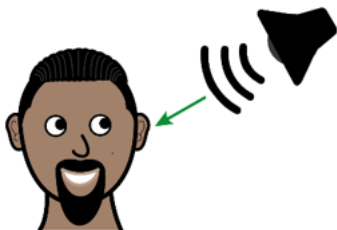
Eliot Dowling talked about artificial intelligence.

People also call it **AI**.



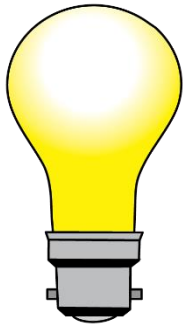
AI is like a smart helper.

People build **AI** using computers.



Some things **AI** can do is

- listens to what you say
- recognise pictures or faces
- tell you what you want to know
- help people learn



AI can do things like

- turn on lights
- robots
- drive cars



Aruma is building **AI** called Arumie.

It helps Aruma

- write documents
- find out what we need to know
- do things better
- do things faster



James McCoy talked about the changes to the NDIS like

- **Thriving Kids** program
- what supports the NDIS can pay for
- different **funding periods**





Thriving Kids program

- is for kids with autism
- will check what level of autism they have

worried



James is worried as

- autism can not be measured
- every person is different



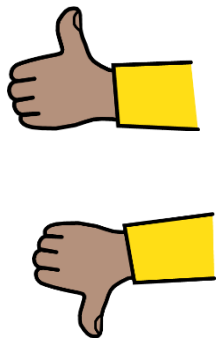
Different **funding periods** means

- you do not get all of your money at once
- you get your money every 3 months

no money



James is worried you might run out of money before 3 months.



People at the meeting think the changes will

- work well.
- not work well.



Kelly Davenport talked about how Aruma can help participants get work.



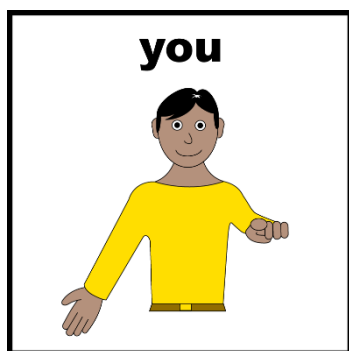
Aruma participants can

- do a **work ready** program
- get help to do supported employment
- get help to find open employment



The **work ready** program is about Aruma staff helping build

- skills
- confidence
- independence



The **work ready** program can change based on what the participant needs to be able to work.

aruma.



People who work in Aruma supported employment spoke at the meeting.



They said

- they had more confidence now
- doing cookery course at TAFE



They said

- they like being busy
- wants to get his fork lift licence



They said

- they like getting to know people
- they love to play lawn bowls

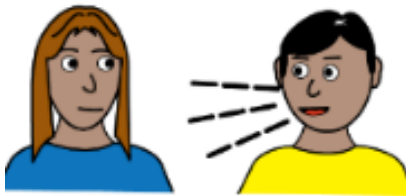
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