

Giving us feedback and making complaints



How to use this document



WA's Individualised Services (WAiS) wrote this information. When you see the words 'we' or 'us', it means WAiS.



We have written this document in an easy to read way.

We use pictures to explain some ideas.



We have written some words in **bold**. We explain what these words mean.

There is a list of these words on page 19.



You can ask for help to read this document.

A friend, family member or support person may be able to help you.

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What is this document about?



This document is about how we handle:

- feedback
- complaints.

Feedback



Feedback is when:

- you tell someone about a problem
- they fix it quickly.



Feedback doesn't need any more work.



You can also tell us when things go really well.

We call this positive feedback.

Complaints

A complaint is when you tell someone:



• something has gone wrong



something is broken.



Complaints are more serious than feedback.

This document explains:



• how to make a complaint



• what we will do about your complaint.

This document is for:



- customers
- family members of customers
- service providers
- regulators someone who checks our work.



We want to make sure we treat people who use our services fairly.



We want you to tell us what you think.



Complaints and feedback are important to us.

They help us make:



• our services better



everyone feel safer.

When we are handling complaints, we need to show respect for:



Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people



 people from different backgrounds and cultures.

Please tell us if you need:



• an interpreter – someone who speaks your language



• information in a different format.

How to make a complaint

1. Tell your Team Leader



If you have a complaint, tell your Team Leader.



They will try to do something about the complaint you have made.



If they can't fix your complaint, ask for a *Customer Complaint Form*.

2. Fill out our *Customer Complaint Form*



When you fill out our *Customer Complaint Form*, you are making a formal complaint.

We take all formal complaints very seriously.



When you make a formal complaint, we will keep a record of your complaint in our files.



When you are making a complaint, you can ask for an advocate.

An advocate is someone who helps you speak up.

What we will do with your complaint



Your complaint will go to the People and Culture manager – the person in charge of our services in your area.

The People and Culture manager will:



• read your complaint



• contact you to try to fix your complaint.

When your complaint has been fixed, we will keep a record of:



• what your complaint was



how we fixed it.



If the People and Culture manager can't fix your complaint, it will go to the Executive Manager – the person in charge of all of our services.



The Executive Manager will try to fix your complaint.



If you are still not happy, your complaint will go to the Chair of the Board.

The Chair of the Board has been chosen to run our Board.



The Board makes important decisions about how to run WAiS.



If you are not happy with how we handle your complaint, you can contact:



the Health and Disability Services
 Complaints Office (HaDSCO)
 www.hadsco.wa.gov.au/contact/



the National Disability Insurance Agency (NDIA).
 www.ndis.gov.au/about-us/contact-us/feedback-complaints



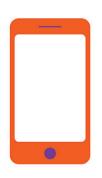
HaDSCO or NDIA will work with us to fix your complaint.



We can help you contact HaDSCO or NDIA.



Your name



Your phone number



Date

___/___

What would you like to tell us?



- ☐ Feedback
- ☐ Complaint

Please give us information so we can fix your complaint.

You can write:



what happened



where it happened



• when it happened



who else was there.

Feedback and Complaints Form

Write your complaint below.



Your signature



If someone is helping you write this complaint:

• their name



• their relationship to you



• their signature

Contact us

We have ways you can contact us to:

- give us feedback
- make a complaint.



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waindividualisedservices.org.au/contact/

Word list



Advocate

An advocate is someone who helps you speak up.



Chair of the Board

The Chair of the Board is the person chosen to lead the Board of Interchange.

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Interpreter

An interpreter is someone who:

- speaks your language
- helps you understand what someone is saying.