



**Community
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Queensland**

The Human Rights Act Community Legal Education Showcase

Community Legal Centres Queensland State Conference

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QAI Human Rights CLE

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- **Development of CLE**
 - Planned
 - Responsive
- **Audience**
 - People with intellectual/cognitive disability and/or mental illness & families
 - Advocates, lawyers, social workers
- **Modes**
 - Conference presentations
 - Resource development
- **Partners**
 - Universities, law associations, health services

Human Rights



Integrating a human rights lens into CLE



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Top tips:

- Acknowledge origins and significance of human rights
- Know your audience and target accordingly
- Focus on outcomes – addressing power imbalance, changing behaviour, creating a human rights culture in Qld
- Relevance of HRA in different environments and situations
- Provide practical examples

Examples of QAI's HRA CLE

Activities:

- Human Rights Plenary CLCA National Conference: "Why Human Rights Matter: The Possibility and Role of Human Rights Frameworks in Australia"
- CLCQld webinar: "Using the HRA to advocate for clients with a disability"
- ALA Conference presentation: "Using the HRA as an Advocacy Tool for Clients with Disability"
- Presentation to disability advocates: "Education, Health and Employment: How Qld's HRA will impact people with disability"
- Guest lectures to university students on the HRA (UQ, Bond University)
- Presentation to social workers on the HRA and its implications for their practice

Resources:

- *Know Your Human Rights: A Guide to the Human Rights Act 2019* (Qld)
- Fact sheets on the HRA
- "The Queensland Human Rights Act for children with disabilities in schools" (with UQ Pro Bono Centre)
- Flow chart: "How will a legal problem be impacted by the HRA?"
- ALA article: "How the new Queensland Human Rights Act can assist clients with disability"
- "The Grassroots Campaign for a Human Rights Act in Queensland: A case study for modern Australian law reform", *Alternative Law Journal*

Know Your Human Rights

A Guide to the *Human Rights Act 2019* (Qld)



- Aim: to develop an Easy English booklet on the new Human Rights Act to assist people with intellectual/cognitive disability to understand the new Act.
- Fact sheets

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Thank you

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