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Self Advocacy Empowerment Capacity Building Outcomes

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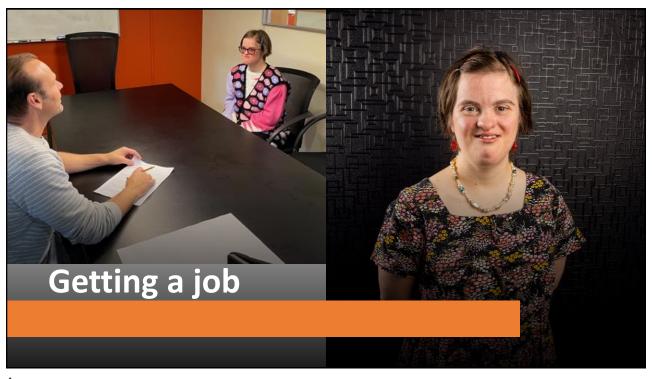


Acknowledgement of Country

I'd like to begin by acknowledging the Traditional
Owners of the land on which we meet today, and
pay my respects to Elder's past, present and
emerging.











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The VALID8 Team

Working with a team and getting heaps of respect, feeling accepted and connected

What the Job is

Getting ready for work



Travel training to work and home again

Having enough sleep

Dress code

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Independence

Paycheck

Working as a team

Working with colleagues

Working in the office

Getting work done

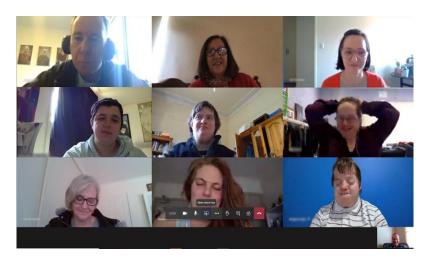








COVID-19, working through the lockdown



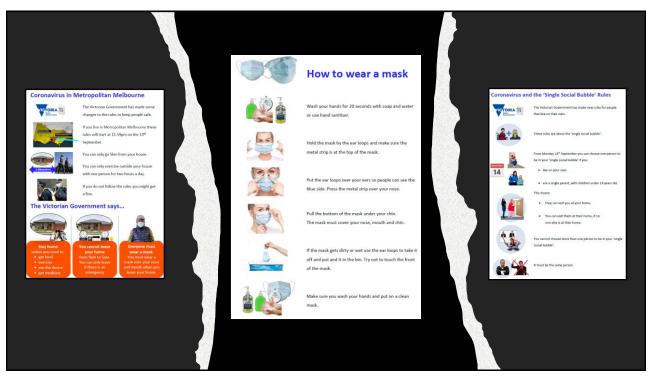




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Victoria Legal Aid

Growing
Employment
Demand





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Resident Self Advocacy and Empowerment in Residential Services

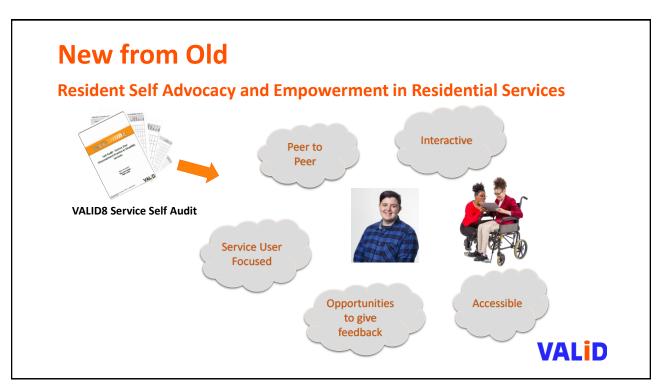
Looks at service user empowerment in these areas:

- SUPPORT FOR DECISION MAKING
- PERSON CENTRED PLANNING
- WELLBEING
- HOW I CONNECT WITH MY COMMUNITY
- SKILL DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES
- INVOLVEMENT IN DECISION MAKING
- ORGANISATIONAL GOVERNANCE
- INPUT INTO QUALITY PROCESSES

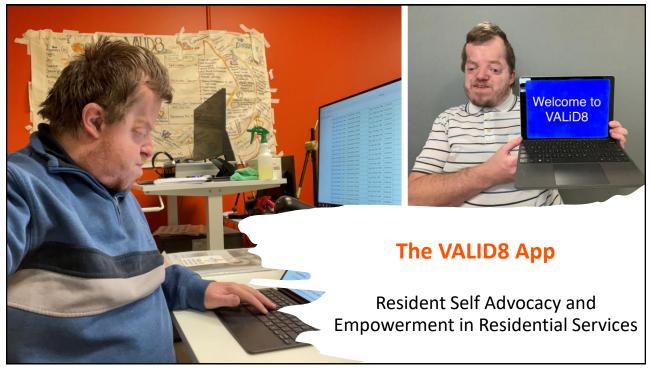




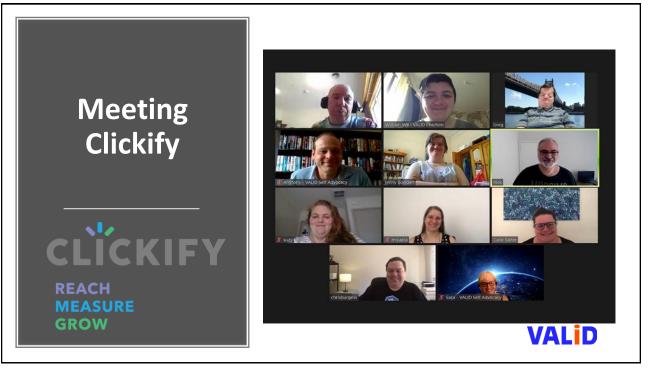
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Downloading photos for the VALID8 App

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Group Home Visits



What the house was like

How it was presented

Things we saw

Things that we liked, like someone having a pet

Things that residents weren't happy about, like not being able to see their family (because of COVID), or not having enough staff









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Resident Self Advocacy and Empowerment in Residential Services

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Because there is **no greater safeguard** than when people with disabilities speak up **for themselves**

...and we listen and act





VALID Self Advocacy Networks



The VALID Self Advocacy Networks started in 2001



There are currently 4 Networks with over 250 members



Network meetings are held each month



Aims of the Network Meetings

- To help people learn self advocacy skills.
- Give people a chance to speak up in their community and service.
- To connect with other people and services in their community.
- A forum where Network members can find out about new things



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Western Self Advocacy Network

The meetings are usually held on the first Tuesday of the month at Maidstone Community Centre, 21 Yardley St, Maidstone from 1pm to 2pm



Northern Self Advocacy Network

The meetings are usually held on the first Wednesday of the month

at St Peters Church Hall

Corner of Grimshaw St & Alma Rd, Bundoora

from 10:30am to 11.45am



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Eastern Self Advocacy Network

The meetings are usually held on the third Monday of the month at Maroondah Federation Estate,

32 Greenwood Avenue, Ringwood

from 10:30am to 11.45am



Southern Self Advocacy Network

The meetings are usually held on the third Tuesday of the month at Paddy O'Donoghue Centre 18-34 Buckley St, Noble Park from 10:30am to 11.45am



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Guest Speakers

Every meeting we have a guest speaker to talk about a topic that we want to know more about, like:

















