

12. Helpful Web links

1. Senior Practitioner

A small number of people with a disability are subject to restrictive interventions (such as restraint or seclusion) or to compulsory treatment, due to the harm they pose to themselves or others. The Act provides strong requirements to ensure that the rights of these people are protected.

The appointment of a Senior Practitioner is a key part of the Act to ensure that people's rights are protected when these practices are used.

The Senior Practitioner will also ensure that appropriate standards are met in relation to these practices.

Click on the following link for more information about Restrictive Practices:

- www.dhs.vic.gov.au/for-individuals/disability/your-rights/disability-act-2006/restrictive-practices

Click on the following link for easy read information about the Senior Practitioner:

- www.dhs.vic.gov.au/for-individuals/your-rights/offices-protecting-rights/office-of-the-senior-practitioner/role-of-the-office-of-the-senior-practitioner/role-of-the-office-of-the-senior-practitioner-easy-read

2. Victorian Equal Opportunity and Human Rights Commission

Every Victorian is entitled to equal rights and treatment regardless of their personal characteristics. The Victorian Equal Opportunity and Human Rights Commission provides an impartial, fast, flexible, and free dispute resolution process to help people resolve discrimination complaints and complaints of sexual harassment, and racial and religious vilification.

Click on the following link for more information about the Victorian Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission:

- www.humanrightscommission.vic.gov.au

3. Victorian Charter of Human Rights

The Disability Act was developed at the same time as the Victorian Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities Act 2006. Check out the following link:

- www.humanrightscommission.vic.gov.au/index.php/the-law/the-charter-of-human-rights-and-responsibilities

4. Department of Human Services

The Department of Human Services funds and provides services for people with a disability.

Click on the following link for more information about rights:

- www.dhs.vic.gov.au/for-individuals/disability/your-rights

5. United Nations

The United Nations website includes an easy read version of the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities.

Click on the following link for more information about the Convention:

- www.un.org/disabilities/default.asp?navid=14&pid=150