

Advance notice of NSW events for 2010

March 22

What does self directed planning, funding and support mean for people with high and complex needs?

A full day seminar that unpacks what is required by services and government to achieve a self directed approach. Speakers include Peter Shergold (*Centre for Social Impact*), Trudy Van Dam, (former service provider, now *Australian Catholic University*), Judith Ellis (*Ellis McRae*), Margaret Ward (*Mamre Support Service Q'ld*) and Karen Fisher (*Social Policy Research Centre*).

August 9

Self directed support in action—supported living

Greg Lewis of *My Place WA* and Jill Hole of *Homes West Q'ld* will draw on their experience in supported living to share elements that enable people with disability to have a home of their own. The forum will focus on key learnings that enable others to replicate the experience and outcomes of the people in these two supported living programs.

Eddie Bartnik of the Disability Services Commission of WA will look at the role of government in facilitating these opportunities.

October 15

Election commitments for a self directed approach

Meet with representatives of all political parties to hear their commitments in relation to self directed support leading up to the 2011 NSW State election.

Further information and registration available soon

In Control Australia is a group of individuals and organisations who aim to bring about systemic policy change in Australia to enable individuals with disability and their families to manage their support. The organisation is part of influential collaboration and works to provide an avenue for information exchange, critical inquiry, dialogue, collaboration, leadership and influence.