



# Office for Disability Issues

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Expressions of Interest for the Office for Disability Issues Nominations Database

## Introduction

The Government wants to increase the diversity of governance and advisory groups. As part of the Office for Disability Issues' (ODI) role to help facilitate effective working relationships between disabled people, the disability sector and government agencies, ODI is often asked by appointing agencies to nominate disabled people for governance and advisory positions.

It is important for disabled people to be represented on governance and advisory groups (including State sector boards and committees) to provide a disability perspective. Boards work best when there is diversity of skills, expertise, backgrounds, perspectives and ways of thinking around the table.

The purpose of this survey is to collect Expressions of Interest (EOI) from disabled people with relevant skills and experience, who want to be considered for nominations for governance and advisory positions on State sector boards and committees. This is an opportunity to increase the representation of disabled people on State sector boards and committees, to better reflect the diversity of New Zealand.

[Introduction Video in NZSL](#)

## **Before the Survey**

- This survey has been made with consultation from the Disabled People's Organisations (DPO) Coalition.
- This survey does not guarantee a governance or advisory position automatically. This is the first step to gaining a position.
- The information you provide us will only be used for nominations to boards and committees, in accordance with the Official Information Act 1982.
- The personal information will be stored in accordance with the Survey Monkey Privacy Policy, and the Privacy Act 1993.
- There are 27 questions to complete. The time it takes to complete this survey will be different for everyone, but, on average, it should take between 20 and 90 minutes to complete.
- If you have any other questions not covered above, please contact us by email [odi@msd.govt.nz](mailto:odi@msd.govt.nz), phone call or text 029 495 0010.

[Before the Survey Video in NZSL](#)

## **Glossary of terms used in this survey**

**Appointing agency** means the agency requesting nominations from the Office for Disability Issues (ODI) for governance or advisory positions.

**Applicant** means the disabled person wanting to be nominated for governance and/or advisory positions. See above for more detail about who can complete this survey.

**Expression of Interest (EOI)** is this survey, where a disabled person with governance experience indicates they are interested in being nominated for governance or advisory positions and gives information for this purpose.

**Governance positions** are positions on State sector boards and committees, where you give help to govern. For example, being a member on a board.

**Advisory positions** are positions on State sector boards and committees, where you give your advice. For example, being on a working group or an advisory group. [Click here to view a list of state sector boards and committees.](#)

**Nominations Database** is a place where information about applicants could be stored, that has a way of searching on required criteria for the purpose of nominating suitable applicants for governance and advisory positions.

**Nominations Service** means the process of recommending people to appointing agenc(ies), for the purpose of that agency improving the diversity of their governance and advisory boards, committees and groups. You can read more about this on our website.

[Glossary of Terms Video in NZSL](#)

### **Help! I have a different question**

If you have any other questions not covered above, please contact us by email ([odi@msd.govt.nz](mailto:odi@msd.govt.nz)), by phone or text (029 495 0010).

You can also visit our website for more information [www.odi.govt.nz](http://www.odi.govt.nz).



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## Sharing your information

1. Please choose from one of the following options:

- Please keep my details for 7 years (as per the [Public Records Act 2005](#))
- Please keep my details until I notify ODI to remove from the site



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## Personal details

2. What is your legal name?

Title

First name

Middle name(s)

Last name

Preferred name

\* 3. What are your contact details?

Street address

Suburb

City or town

Post code

Country

Email Address

Phone Number

\* 4. How do you prefer to be contacted?

Email

Post

Phone (call)

Another way (*please indicate below*)

Phone (text)

If you would prefer to be contacted another way, or prefer to be contacted during specific time(s) and/or day(s), please indicate here.

5. Are you entitled to work in New Zealand?

Yes

No

Not sure

6. What gender do you identify with?

Female

Male

Gender diverse

Prefer not to say

7. What is your year of birth?

8. Which ethnic group do you belong to? Select the option(s) that apply to you.

- |   |  |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> New Zealand European   | <input type="checkbox"/> Niuean            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Māori                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Chinese           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Samoan                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Indian            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cook Islands Māori     | <input type="checkbox"/> Prefer not to say |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tongan                 |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify) |  |

9. Please note here the name(s) and region(s) of any hapū, marae or iwi that you affiliate with. If you aren't sure, you can write "don't know". If you prefer not to say, you can write "prefer not to say".



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## Positions you are interested in

*Appointing agencies appoint people to governance and advisory positions on a broad range of state sector boards and committees.*

*A list of New Zealand's state sector agencies, and the boards and committees which come under their responsibility is available on Ministry for Women's website.*

10. Which of the following appointing agencies are you interested in being nominated to? (i.e. for positions on the boards and committees they are responsible for.)

Please select as many as you are interested in.

- |  |  |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> All agencies                                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Accident Compensation Corporation               | <input type="checkbox"/> Ministry of Health                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Department of Conservation                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Ministry of Justice                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Department of Corrections                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Ministry of Primary Industries        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Department of Internal Affairs                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Ministry of Pacific Island Affairs    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet        | <input type="checkbox"/> Ministry of Social Development        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Land Information New Zealand                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Ministry for Women                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> New Zealand Defence Force                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Ministry of Transport                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment | <input type="checkbox"/> Te Puni Kōkiri                        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ministry of Culture and Heritage                | <input type="checkbox"/> Tertiary Education Commission         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ministry of Education                           | <input type="checkbox"/> The Treasury                          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ministry for the Environment                    |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify)                          |  |

11. Are you willing to travel for a governance or advisory position? (i.e. do you want to be nominated for governance or advisory positions outside of your region?)

- Yes (please comment below)       Maybe (please comment below)
- No

If you might be willing to travel for a position, please provide more information. For example, where you would be willing to travel or how you would be willing to travel.



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## Disability Information

12. Please provide your lived experiences. E.g: visual impairment, hearing impairment etc

13. Please provide any support requirements. E.g. NZSL interpreter, Braille papers.



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## Your understanding of key documents

*We are asking the following questions to know how well you understand some key documents.*

*This is one indicator of how prepared you might be to represent the views of certain groups.*

*Please answer as honestly as possible. We will look at your responses to all questions in this survey to determine the most suitable positions to nominate you for.*

14. How well do you understand *Te Tiriti o Waitangi (The Treaty of Waitangi)*? [Click here to view in a new window](#)

A great deal

A little

A lot

Not at all

A moderate amount

15. How well do you understand the *United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD)*? [Click here to view in a new window](#)

- A great deal                       A little  
 A lot                                       Not at all  
 A moderate amount

16. How well do you understand the *New Zealand Disability Strategy 2016-2026*? [Click here to view in a new window](#)

- A great deal                       A little  
 A lot                                       Not at all  
 A moderate amount

17. How well do you understand the *New Zealand Disability Action Plan 2014-2018*? [Click here to view in a new window](#)

- A great deal                       A little  
 A lot                                       Not at all  
 A moderate amount



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## Governance and advisory experience

*Tip: You can click and drag the bottom, right hand corner of each text box to enlarge it.*



18. Have you been on any state sector boards or committees? If so: please note the position, board name and years. E.g. Chair, NZSL Board, 2014 - 2017. [Click here to view a list of state sector boards and committees.](#)

19. Have you been on any business or community boards? If so: please note the position, board name and years. E.g. Director, Ngāi Tahu Māori Trust Board, 2012 - current.

20. Have you been on any boards in the voluntary sector, or done other voluntary work? If so: please note the position, board or organisation name and years. E.g. Mentor, Big Brothers Big Sisters, 2010 - 2015.

21. Have you had any other professional memberships? If so: please list current and previous memberships. E.g. Member, NZ Law Society, current.



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**Other relevant experience**

22. Can you please describe your current or most recent employment? (if applicable)

Employer

Position

Date of start and finish

(DD/MM/YY -  
DD/MM/YY)

Key duties

23. What skills or areas of expertise would you bring to a governance or advisory position?

24. Do you have any other relevant qualifications or experience?

25. Please upload a copy of your CV or resume, if you have one.

You can upload your CV as a PDF, DOC, DOX, PNG, JPG, JPEG or GIF file. If you are uploading a CV, please include the date in the file name (it is helpful for us to know how recent this version is).

Choose File

No file chosen



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**Additional information**

26. We are interested in your views on how we can improve our Nominations Service. Do you have anything you would like to suggest? E.g. your views on how we could better support disabled people into governance and advisory positions.



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## Thank You

Thank you for completing this Expressions of Interest survey.

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