

Dear families, clients and supporters

It is with sadness that the board recently accepted the resignation of disAbility Living's CEO; Matt Collins.

Matt's CEO stewardship of disAbility Living has been characterized by innovation, credibility and a person-centred approach which personifies our organisation's cultural values; CREDIT. These values will remain with disAbility Living long into the future as we work with our clients and adapt to meet the opportunities the NDIS provides.

In all areas of the organisation, Matt played a leading role in challenging the industry and driving innovation. He has continued to place people living with a disability at the centre of all business decisions. This cannot be more evident than in disAbility Living's suite of accommodation, respite and community participation services and the more recent development of a specialist DESS Hub, the first of its kind in South Australia – an outstanding therapy centre, workspace for staff and partners and delivering a vital service to many clients.

disAbility Living finds itself in a strong position within the new world of the NDIS. This is due to the commitment and hard work of our dedicated staff team, Matt included.

The Board has commenced a recruitment process – you may have seen the ads in The Advertiser recently. As I am sure you will agree, these are big boots to fill.

A simple thank you does not do it justice but we want to thank Matt for his dedication, energy and strategic guidance over the past 20 years and 17 years in the senior leadership role of the organisation. We wish him every success in his new adventures.

Sandra Di Blasio

Chairperson