



## Celebrating International Day of People with Disability



Individuals, their families and Identitywa staff enjoying the event held in the River Room at Optus Stadium.

On Tuesday December 3, members of the Identitywa community joined with people around Australia and the world, to celebrate *International Day of People with Disability* at the annual NDS WA lunch.

This special day, which is mandated by the United Nations, provides a unique chance for people to come together to acknowledge the valuable contributions, skills, and achievements of people with disability. Click [here](#) for the full story.

### Nominations for the 2020 WA Disability Support Awards have now opened!



The *WA Disability Support Awards* celebrate the significant contribution of individuals and teams who support people with disability to achieve their goals. They recognise and reward people who go beyond ordinary standards of service and provide the highest standard of individualised support to people with disability.

The Awards also provide an opportunity to recognise excellence in leadership and innovation to continuously improve disability supports and create better outcomes. For more information about the *2020 Disability Support Awards*, please visit [www.dswa.org.au](http://www.dswa.org.au).



You are encouraged to send your feedback via the *2019 Identitywa Family and Carers Survey* sent to you in November.

This is an annual survey which is aimed to identify the areas family and carers view as important, whether Identitywa is meeting their needs and those areas the organisation should focus on to continue delivering high-quality support.



### *The Royal Commission into Violence, Abuse, Neglect and Exploitation of People with Disability*

An issues paper on group homes has been released.

Click [here](#) to read.

A Legal Services website has been launched for the Disability Royal Commission. Click [here](#) for more information.



**Our Board, Management and Staff wish all our families and carers a very Merry Christmas and a happy and safe New Year!**