



Health



## December 2022 GeneEQUAL Newsletter



We would like to share some exciting GeneEQUAL updates with you!



A summary of the below information can be viewed as a video here:  
<https://youtu.be/Y1Oz1o0u10c>



First, we have received \$1.5 million in funding from the National Health and Medical Research Committee



This will allow us to continue GeneEQUAL for five more years!



We will keep working to improve genetic health care

- for people with intellectual disability







The National project will include opportunities to



- Partner with people with intellectual disability, including Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people



- Co-design national standards of care



- Create a genetics resource toolkit



- Fund an Indigenous Genetic Counsellor Scholarship



- Mentor co-researchers in inclusive research







Secondly, in GeneEQUAL Part 2 we have held two co-production workshops



22 people with intellectual disability and 12 support people and staff came along



They provided feedback on the booklets

- such as changing pictures and words to be more positive



They also gave feedback on the roleplay between

- a counsellor and
- a person with intellectual disability




The example showing bad practices reminded them of their own experiences



They thought the example showing good practices was more respectful and accessible








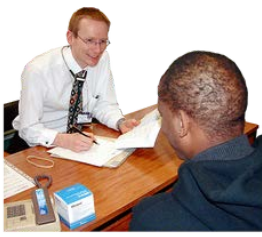
Thirdly, we have held the first advisory workshop




13 advisory members came along




They discussed the importance of Easy Read resources in health care




They also considered how to target the roleplays to health care workers



You can read more about that in our **Advisory Workshop 1 Report**



Please check out our Website for more information about GeneEQUAL:  
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We are so grateful for all  
your help and support

Wishing you Happy Holidays!

