

Media Alert

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Community celebrates targeted aged care services

Who: Western Region Disability Network Bi-monthly meeting with key speaker The Hon Bill Shorten, Federal Member for Maribyrnong, Parliamentary Secretary for Disabilities and Children's Services.

What: Mr Shorten will discuss the Rudd Government's recent initiatives for people with a disability, including the lump sum bonus payments that have been extended to Disability Support Pensioners for the first time ever, and the development of a National Disability Strategy. The Strategy, which is part of the Rudd Government's social inclusion agenda, is aimed at removing the barriers faced by people with a disability, their families and their carers. Includes Question time to listen to views and concerns of carers living in the Western region of Melbourne.
Mr Shorten will be speaking 10.30am- 11.30am.
Includes Media photo shoot opportunity at 10.15 am

When: 10.00 am – 1.00pm Thursday 30 October 2008

Where Moonee Valley City council
9 Kellaway Avenue, Moonee Ponds

Contact WRDN Executive Officer Helen Adams on 9687 7066 or 0422 304 425

Mission statement

The WRDN is a network of over 850 people with a disability, their carers, families, service providers, government and community. With the Northern Region Disability Network as a formal sub-committee, and directed by an independently elected committee, the WRDN covers 14 local government areas in the North and West regions of Metropolitan Melbourne.

Proudly auspiced by *annecto*, the WRDN offers free membership to people of all disabilities, abilities and ages, disseminating information, building the capacity of people with disabilities and their carers, raising community awareness and providing advocacy through partnerships and collaboration.

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