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# Young Leaders

Become A  
**Leader** 



Application form **2016**



Do you want to take more control in your own life?



Do you want to become a leader  
in your community?



**You can apply to take part in Young Leaders 2016**

**My Choice Matters** can help you to fill in this form  
We can answer any questions you have.



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### **Who is Young Leaders 2016 for?**

It is for people with disability who are between 16 and 25.



### **What is Young Leaders 2016?**

It is a leadership training program for young people.

It will be a 6 day course held every two weeks on a Saturday. The course will go from March to May, 2016.

You will gain skills in leading your own life and becoming a leader in your local area. You will also learn from other young people.



### **What will I learn in Young Leaders 2016?**

You will learn how to make choices and communicate them.

You will learn how to get a good life.

You will get to know yourself and learn how to speak up.

You will learn how to work with other people to make a better world and understand how to make changes in your area.



## How will I be chosen to take part?

**Applications for Young Leaders 2016 are due on January 18.** You can email or mail it to us.



**My Choice Matters** will look at all applications. You will be interviewed by us. This means that we will chat to you about why you want to be part of **Young Leaders 2016**.

There are a set number of spots in the program. If you do not get a spot we will let you know.



If you do not get a spot there will be other ways for you to learn how to be a leader. This might be online or in a small group. We will let you know about these things.



The rest of this form has lots of blue boxes. You can type your answers in these blue boxes. If you print this form out and write your answers you can use extra paper if you need more space.

## Tell My Choice Matters about yourself

All personal information is only seen by  
**My Choice Matters.**



First Name:



Last Name:



Address:

Postcode:

State:



My phone number:



Email Address:



**Were you born in Australia?** Yes No  
(please choose one)

**If no please tell us where you were born:**



**Were your parents born in Australia?** Yes No  
(please choose one)

**If No please tell us where they were born:**





**I am a:**

(Please ☒ tick your answers)

Person with disability

Family member or carer



**I live:**

by myself

with my family

in supported accommodation

Other, please describe:



**My year of birth is:**

**My disability is:** (Please ☒ tick your answers)

Physical

Intellectual or cognitive

Psychological or mental health

Sight, hearing or speech

Other, please specify:





**The best way to contact me is:**

(Please ☒ tick your answers)

Phone

Relay Service

Email

Letter

TIS (Telephone Interpreter Service)

Language:



**I am Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander:**

(Please ☒ tick your answers)

Yes, I am Aboriginal

Yes, I am Torres Strait Islander

No





## Questions on leadership

**We would like to know more about you  
and why you want to be a Young Leader.**



Please answer the questions below.



You can also give us your application in another format such as a video. You will still need to answer each question.



If you need help to answer these questions you can ask a friend, family member, advocate or a support worker to help. You can also ask **My Choice Matters.**



**Why do you want to be chosen for  
Young Leaders 2016?**





**What activities or groups are you a part of?**

**What is your role with them?**

These can be things that you are a part of now or things that you did in the past.



**What kind of leadership roles have you had?**

**What was it like being a leader?**



**Have you been part of something where there was change?**

**What did you learn about yourself and others?**



**Tell us about the kind of community  
you want to live in and help to create.**



**What is an issue you feel strongly about?  
How would you like to be a leader in this area?**



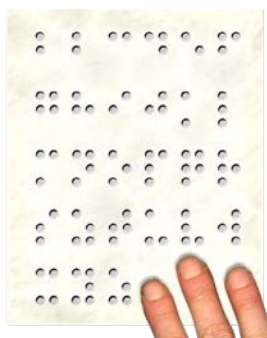
## Supports You Need

To make sure that everyone is able to learn in the Young Leaders 2016 program **My Choice Matters** will:

- Provide a safe and accessible learning space
- Provide accessible training materials
- Organise supports that will help you in the program (such as transport, an interpreter, a support person)
- Make sure all of our facilitators are supported and trained
- Match you with a suitable mentor for one to one learning



## Support



### Do you need any support to participate in the Young Leaders 2016 program?

(Please ☒ tick your answers)

personal care

hearing loop

transport assistance

large print

language interpreter

braille

AUSLAN interpreters

note taker

support worker to assist with learning

other, please describe:



If you are accepted into the Young Leaders 2016 program, **My Choice Matters** will need you to:

Be responsible for your own learning



Attend and be on time on all program days



Complete all the preparation work



Ask for help when you need it



Be respectful of other people



Give us feedback



Sign our publicity consent form





## This form has been filled out by

**Name:**

**Role:**

(if you are not the person wanting to do program)



**Signature:**

(An electronic signature is fine)

**Date:**



## Handing in your Application

Once you have filled out this form  
please send it to us by:



**email:**

[carolyn@mychoicematters.org.au](mailto:carolyn@mychoicematters.org.au)

OR



**mail:**

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