



Our vision:

Optimum life outcomes for adults and children on the autism spectrum.

Our mission:

To help adults and children in Tasmania on the autism spectrum, their families and carers to participate fully, independently, and equally in all aspects of their everyday lives.

Our Core Values

Inherent worth: We recognise and celebrate that people on the autism spectrum are valuable members of society, capable of contributing to and enriching the lives of those around them.

Social justice: We value equality and recognise that some people need a greater share of resources in order to have equal opportunity.

Individual dignity: We value individuality, acknowledge that everyone should be treated with respect, and we believe that all people should have the opportunity to be involved in choices relating to their own wellbeing.

Respecting language and identity: We acknowledge the differing views within the autism community for describing autism and respect the right of individuals to choose the language which they believe most powerfully represents them.

Evidence-based practice and policy: We value evidence based practice and consult with and seek input from the autism community to influence better policy outcomes.

Collaboration and community: We value partnerships with other organisations, and celebrate the diversity and achievements of the community we represent.

Professionalism and accountability: We strive to operate our organisation transparently and with the best interests of our members and the Tasmanian autism community in mind.

Objects and Purposes of Association

The objects and purposes of the Association are:

- a. to provide quality information and support services to people on the autism spectrum, their families and carers;
- b. to complement, enhance and facilitate professional autism training to individuals and service providers;
- c. to advocate on behalf of the autism community to government and other service providers on issues of concern and assist in development of autism friendly service provision;
- d. to raise community awareness and understanding of autism;
- e. to promote and encourage the acceptance of people with autism and other related communication conditions;
- f. to promote and support research into autism and other related communication conditions;
- g. to operate a sustainable, accountable and transparent organisation; and
- h. to remain the peak autism body in Tasmania