

Links between the NCCD, *Disability Discrimination Act 1992* and Disability Standards for Education 2005

Disability Discrimination Act 1992 (DDA)

- Under the DDA it is illegal to treat a person with disability less favourably than a person without disability.
- The DDA provides a [definition of disability](#).

Disability Standards for Education 2005 (the Standards)

The Standards are subordinate legislation under the DDA. They clarify schools' obligations under the DDA.

Schools obligations:

- Provide reasonable adjustments to allow students with disability to access and participate in education on the same basis as their peers.
- Eliminate harassment and victimisation.
- Consult about students' disabilities and needs.

Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD)

The NCCD is an annual collection of information about Australian school students who are receiving adjustments because of disability.

- For the NCCD, schools count the number of students receiving adjustments because of disability and make decisions about the level of adjustment being provided for each student with disability.
- Schools provide NCCD information to education authorities and the Australian Government Department of Education. This includes, for each student with disability, the year of schooling, the category of disability and the level of adjustment they receive.
- For the NCCD, school teams must have evidence to show that they have followed the Standards processes, including consultation with the student and/or their parent, guardian or carer. The NCCD reinforces schools' existing obligations under the Standards.