



## **1.0 Policy Statement**

Peckys Limited encourages clients to be involved in the life of the community in ways similar to the rest of the community and provide the appropriate support to enable them to:

- Access regular community services and facilities;
- Participate in all aspects of our service;
- Access generic and specialised facilities and services for age appropriate recreation and leisure activities;
- Develop and maintain meaningful relationships and involvement within the community;
- Establish and maintain a valued relationship with their family and other significant persons;
- Support and relate to their cultural, linguistic and religious background;
- Involve families in the decision making processes.

**1.1** Peckys Limited supports clients to be active participants in their community. Peckys Limited will support clients to join activities, share experiences and interact with the community.

**1.2** Clients – means a person that receives a service and supports from Peckys Limited, including people exiting the criminal justice system.

**1.3** Participation – means taking part or sharing in an activity or event with others. People with a disability may need support to participate in community life, including accessing training and employment, visiting community facilities and forming personal relationships.

**1.4** Integration – means assimilating with the rest of the community, participating in everyday aspects of life and being recognized as part of the community.

## **2.0 Purpose**

The purpose of this document is to outline how Peckys Limited meets legislative requirements and encourages involvement from clients and significant others in meeting and following applicable disability service standards.

**2.1** Peckys Limited ensures that all clients are supported and encouraged to participate and be involved in the life of the community.

## **Document References**

- NSW Disability Services Act and NSW Disability Standards 1993
- Disability Discrimination Act 1992

## **Forms**

- Nil referenced



**1.0 Procedure**

Peckys Limited clients are encouraged and supported to access regular community services and facilities at all times and in ways similar to the wider community.

- 1.1 Clients are supported individually to access TAFE and other community based training providers.
- 1.2 Clients are supported and encouraged to access generic and specialised faculties and services for age appropriate recreation and leisure activities, including local clubs, community centre's, fitness centre's, sporting teams and travel services.
- 1.3 Clients are supported to make informed decisions about their lifestyle and participate in the same age range social activities as the rest of the community.
- 1.4 Clients are encouraged and supported to develop and maintain meaningful relationships and involvements within the community.
- 1.5 Regular newsletters inform clients about both generic and specialized services, training options, activities and events happening in the local and wider community.
- 1.6 The programs will aid the development of skills required for active and meaningful participation and inclusion within the community and ensure the persons dignity is respected at all times.