



Accreditation Bulletin

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Introducing our new brand division

As our new divisions at Autism Victoria continue to grow, Autism Victoria is proud to celebrate and support the growth of the new Amaze Initiatives by giving the brands their own sense of freedom and identity to allow for Amaze Accreditation and Amaze Knowledge (*see website for further details on Amaze Knowledge*) to branch out and offer services at a national and international level.

Our Autism Accreditation program at Amaze Accreditation has been operating since April this year and now has a number of services and professionals from the area of early childhood intervention registered to the Autism Accreditation program and working towards achieving accredited status.

Our education standards working party have been meeting regularly in the last few months developing our Education Standards and our Autism Education Standards will be available to schools and educational establishments in early 2011 to work towards achieving Autism Accredited status with Amaze Accreditation.

2011 will be another exciting year for us and we will continue to register and work with services and professionals to achieve Autism Accredited status.

In 2011 Amaze Accreditation will start work on the development of Adult standards; we will offer two types of Adult standards. One set of standards will be relevant and in line with state and National Disability services frameworks to meet compliance and

demonstrate outcome measures for adult services in general. In addition to the general adult standards we will be offering an Autism Specific component to Adult services to assist adult services to build on their Autism Specific knowledge and achieve Autism Accredited Status.

We invite interested professionals from the field of adult service who would be interested in participating in the development of adult standards; and professionals who have particular experience with adults with an Autism Spectrum Disorder to contact Amaze Accreditation.

We will continue to seek support and collaboration from the Autism Advisory Board of Australia and the key state partners to work towards offering national best practice standards and accreditation for services supporting individuals with an ASD throughout Australia.

We continue to offer individual information sessions on request, and will be hosting a

couple of open information sessions for services and professionals in February 2011. Each session is available to view and participate live via Autism Victoria's web streaming facility. The dates of our open information sessions are;

Tuesday 8th February 2011, 3-5pm,
Wednesday 23rd February 2011, 6-8pm.

Both sessions will be held at the Autism Victoria offices, 24 Drummond Street, Carlton, 3053, or will be available live via web streaming. To attend the session please email your RSVP and indicate date and method of attendance to accreditation@autismvictoria.org.au

May we take this time to wish everyone the very best for the festive season and a very happy and prosperous New Year from all the team at Amaze Accreditation.