

Transcript – Video 01: Introduction

Hi everyone. I'm Jackie Mills.

I'm Managing Director of Microboards Australia and I'm also a parent.

And I'd like to welcome you to this series of conversations with Rachel Skoss about things we might want to think about when it comes to planning and supporting people with disability who may experience COVID.

And I'm Rachel, thank you. Nice to meet you all.

And I am also a mum of a 14 year old with intellectual disability.

And I'm a health researcher.

So my view on things that we might be able to do to prepare for being exposed to COVID is something that Jackie and I thought might be worthwhile having a chat about, plus some of Jackie's experiences.

Right. One of the things that we're hearing from families is they're not really sure what this is going to look like.

So there are lots of resources and preparation out there for people in terms of maybe what equipment to get and how to inform people with disability about vaccinations and what it might mean to have COVID.

But people aren't really sure in terms of if the person they support gets COVID, what does that really look like on the ground? And what are some of the things that we could be thinking about now to make that the best possible experience?

I think it's really important to say to that neither of us are clinicians. And so we would always advise that go and talk to your doctor, your general practitioner, if you have any health related questions.

Yeah, thanks, Rachel.