



“It’s great to support and be supported at the same time.”



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**SIDE
BY
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Families supporting families who experience challenging behaviour



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COMMUNITY

DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITY *wa*

Is Side by Side right for my family?

Do You:

have a son or daughter with behaviour which can be described as challenging?

or your family members ever feel isolated, alone, afraid, saddened, stressed by the behaviour of your son or daughter?

ever feel that if you could better understand or communicate with your son or daughter things would be better?

ever have a need to share your experiences with others who have been down the same road?

think you would benefit from learning new strategies or finding out what other people in a similar situation have done?

wish you had support to work through the services and systems you are connected with or need to connect with?



"I have gained knowledge, confidence and friendship."



The Side by Side Community

Side by Side has supporting families since 2012.

The aim of building this community is to ensure that people and families who experience challenging behaviour are better supported; and to develop family leaders who continue to grow this vital peer support so families are not isolated or overwhelmed.

There is a private Facebook page where families can join to ask questions, share information and provide peer support.

Side by Side has many in person and online events which are advertised on our Facebook page.

We have a dedicated webpage with links to our podcasts and other resources.

We have many families connected to our program and offer regional services in Geraldton and Busselton.

We continue to:

- Be connected to behaviour support practitioners
- Coach and mentor families through the Side by Side program