Kummissjoni Nazzjonali
Persuni b'Diżabilità

Informazzjoni Ġenerali

IL-ĦIDMA TAL-KNPD

Il-ħidma tal-KNPD toħroġ mil-Liġi Opportunitajiet Indaqs (Persuni b'Diżabilità) tas-sena 2000 u tikkonsisti l-aktar filli:

- tidentifika l-bżonnijiet tal-persuni b'diżabilità u l-familji tagħhom u kif dawn jiġu milqugħa mis-Soċjetà Maltija;
- tfassal policies li l-Gvern u s-Soċjetà Maltija jridu jimxu fuqhom fir-rigward ta' dan il-qasam;
- tara li jkun hemm il-koordinament f'din il-ħidma bejn dipartimenti u aġenziji tal-Gvern u tkun ukoll pont bejn dawn l-entitajiet governattivi u l-entitajiet l-oħra li mhumiex governattivi u li jaħdmu f'dan il-qasam;
- tara li, fil-limiti ta' dak li hu raġonevoli, ma jkunx hemm diskriminazzjoni kontra persuni b'diżabilità skont il-Liġi Opportunitajiet Indaqs (Persuni b'Diżabilità) u li jekk ikun hemm bżonn jittieħdu miżuri biex dawn jitwaqqfu;
- tiġbor informazzjoni u statistika dwar dan il-qasam filwaqt li tassigura l-kunfidenzjalità ta' kull informazzjoni personali;
- toħloq għarfien akbar fis-Soċjetà Maltija dwar dan il-qasam;
- iżżomm ruħha aġġornata għal dak kollu li jkun qed jiġri f'dan il-qasam kemm f'pajjiżna kif ukoll fil-livell internazzjonali;
- tipprovdi numru ta' servizzi lill-persuni b'diżabilità u l-familji tagħhom biex din il-ħidma tkun tista' titwettaq.

L-ISTRUTTURA TAL-KNPD

Il-KNPD titmexxa minn Bord u hi amministrata minn Segretarjat.

Il-KNPD

Din hi komposta minn mhux inqas minn erbatax-il membru. Seba' membri jirrappreżentaw il-Ministeri għall-Affarijiet tal-Familji, il-Ħarsien Soċjali , ix-Xogħol, is-Saħħa, l-Edukazzjon, id-Djar i l-Ippjanar Ekonomiku. Seba' membri oħra huma maħtura mill-Prim Ministru minn persuni li jkunu l-aħjar jirrapreżentaw lill-organizzazzjonijiet volontarji li jaħdmu fil-qasam tad-diżabilità.

Il-Kompożizzjoni tal-KNPD dejjem irid ikollha:

- Mill-inqas nofs il-membri li jkunu persuni b'diżabilità jew membri tal-familja ta' persuni b'diżabilità mentali;
- Rappreżentanza bilanċjata ta' nisa u rġiel;
- Wieħed miċ-Chairman u l-Viċi Chairman ikun persuna b'diżabilità jew membru tal-familja ta' persuna b'diżabilità mentali.

Missjoni

Il-Kummissjoni Nazzjonali Persuni b'Diżabilità (KNPD) timpenja ruħha biex is-Soċjetà Maltija tkun waħda inklużiva, b'mod li l-persuni b'diżabilità permezz ta' opportunitajiet indaqs fl-oqsma kollha tal-ħajja jilħqu l-milja tagħhom bħala bnedmin li jgawdu minn kwalità ta' ħajja għolja. Fit-twettiq ta' dan l-impenn, il-KNPD taħdem biex is-soċjetà telimina kull forma ta' diskriminazzjoni diretta jew indiretta kontra l-persuni b'diżabilità jew il-familji tagħhom, filwaqt li tipprovdilhom l-għajnuna u l-appoġġ meħtieġ.

Dawn il-fuljetti ta' informazzjoni huma bil-Malti u bl-Ingliż kif ukoll f'diversi forom oħra, fosthom: Braille, tipa kbira, u CD's. Biex iġġib kopja tal-fuljetti bil-forma li tixtieq ikteb jew ċempel fl-uffiċini tal-KNPD.

Ħinijiet tal-ftuħ

It-Tnejn	8:15 am – 12:00 noon
	1:30pm – 5:00pm
It-Tlieta	8:15 am – 12:00 noon
L-Erbgħa	8:15 am – 12:00.noon
Il-Ħamis	8:15 am – 12:00 noon
Il-Ġimgħa	8:15 am – 12:00 noon

Għal iżjed informazzjoni:
Kummissjoni Nazzjonali Persuni b'Diżabilita'
Bugeia Institute
Triq Braille
Santa Venera SVR 1619
Tel: 2278 8555
Fax: 2278 8490
SMS biss: 7978 8555
Email: helpdesk@knpd.org
www.knpd.org

Il-membri kollha tal-KNPD huma mħtura mill-Prim Ministru fuq il-parir tal- Ministru għall-Politika Soċjali.

Is-Segretarjat tal-KNPD

Is-Segretarjat tal-KNPD jieħu ħsieb ipoġġi fil-prattika u jimplimenta d-deċiżjonijiet tal-KNPD u tal-Eżekuttiv. Dan hu mmexxi minn Direttur Eżekuttiv li hu wkoll is-segretarju tal-Bord tal-KNPD.

IS-SERVIZZI TAL-KNPD

1. Il-Karta tal-Identità Speċjali u r-Reġistru tal-Persuni b'Diżabilità

Il-KNPD toħroġ Karta tal-Identità Speċjali (KIS) lill-persuni b'diżabilità. Bil-KIS persuna tista' tapplika għas-servizzi miftuħa għall-persuni b'diżabilità. Il-KNPD iżżomm reġistru ta' persuni b'diżabilità imqassmin skont il-lokalita, gender, età u kategoriji differenti ta' diżabilità.

2. Servizz Għajnuniet Speċjali

Il-KNPD tipprovdi s-Servizz Għajnuniet Speċjali li permezz tiegħu toffri pariri u assistenza finanzjarja lill-persuni b'diżabilità u l-familji tagħhom biex ikunu jistgħu jixtru l-apparat li jgħinhom jgħixu ħajja aktar indipendenti.

3. Ċentru tar-Riżorsi Wenzu Dalli

Il-KNPD għandha Ċentru tar-Riżorsi li fih numru ta' kotba, perjodiċi, DVDs u CDs dwar dan il-qasam. Iċ-Ċentru tar-Riżorsi Wenzu Dalli hu miftuħ għall-pubbliku u hu ta' interess għall-persuni b'diżabilità, l-familji tagħhom u dawk li jaħdmu jew jistudjaw f'dan il-qasam. Dan iċ-Ċentru jieħu ħsieb ukoll il-publikazzjonijiet li l-KNPD toħroġ minn żmien għal żmien f'formati differenti.

4. Oqsma tad-Diżabilità

Il-KNPD għandha programm ta' għarfien dwar l-Oqsma tad-Diżabilità li jikkonsisti f'taħdidiet u korsijiet li jiffukaw fuq l-aspett soċjali tad-diżabilità u fuq kif l-ostakli li jiffaċċjaw il-persuni b'diżabilità huma maħluqa mis-Soċjetà.

5. PEKTUR

PEKTUR huwa programm tal-KNPD li jagħti għotjiet finanzjarji lill-persuni b'diżabilità għal proġetti li għandhom x'jaqsmu ma' edukazzjoni kontinwa, riċerka u taħriġ fil-qasam tad-diżabilità, li jorganizza korsijiet qosra ta' taħriġ għal attivisti b'diżabilità u l-ġenituri ta' persuni li ma jistgħux jirrappreżentaw lilhom infushom u jieħu ħsieb riċerka li tagħmel il-KNPD.

6. Taqsima Liġi Opportunitajiet Indaqs

Il-KNPD waqqfet it-Taqsima Liġi Opportunitajiet Indaqs fi ħdan is-Segretarjat tagħha, bl-iskop li taħdem ħalli jkun hawn ugwaljanza fl-opportunitajiet u timplementa il-Liġi Opportunitajiet Indaqs (Persuni b'Diżabilità). Għalhekk il-KNPD tinvestiga ilmenti dwar atti ta' diskriminazzjoni minħabba diżabilità.

7. Serizzi għal Ħajja Independenti

Il-KNPD tagħmel ukoll rakkomandazzjonijiet lid-dipartimenti jew entitajiet oħra għal dawn il-benefiċċji:

- L-ivettjar ta' applikazzjonijiet għall-iżvilupp lill-MEPA;
- L-eżenzjoni mid-dazju fuq karozzi lill-Miniteru tal-Finanzi;
- L-eżenzjoni mill-ħlas tal-liċenzji tat-triq lid-Dipartiment tal-Liċenzji;
- Blue Sticker lill-Kummissarju tal-Pulizija;
- Kumpens fuq xiri ta' oġġetti għall-persuni b'diżabilità (Ħlas lura fuq VAT)

NGĦOŻŻU D-DIVERSITÀ DISKRIMINAZZJONI QATT

Din l-attività hi ffinanzjata parzjalment mill-Fondi tal-Programm Progress tal-Unjoni Ewropea. L-informazzjoni f'din il-pubblikazzjoni mhux neċessarjament tirrifleti l-opinjoni u l-pożizzjoni tal-Kummissjoni Ewropea.

Din l-informazzjoni kienet eżatta meta ġiet ippubblikata u xi dettalji jista' jkun li nbidlu.
Għal aktar informazzjoni, ara www.knpd.org,
ibgħat email fuq helpdesk@knpd.org, ċempel fuq 2278 8555 jew ibgħat SMS fuq 7978 8555.

National Commission
Persons with Disability

General Information

FUNCTIONS OF KNPD

KNPD's responsibilities are outlined in the Equal Opportunities (Persons with Disability) Act of 2000. These consist mainly of the following:

- to identify the needs of persons with disability and their families, and to suggest how these needs can best be addressed by Maltese Society;
- to draw up policies with regard to the disability sector which all serve as guidelines for Government and Maltese Society;
- to ensure coordination between government departments and agencies, and also lo liase between government entities and non-governmental organisations working in this sector;
- to ensure, within the provisions of Equal Opportunities (Persons with Disabilities) Act within the bounds of reasonableness, that no discrimination, if and when they happen;
- to collect information and statistics regarding this sector, whilst ensuring strict confidentiality in respect of personal information;
- to create a greater awareness in Maltese Society about disability issues;
- to keep abreast with the latest developments in the field of disability, both locally and internationally;
- to provide a number of services for persons with disability and their families in order to ensure that these responsibilities can be properly fulfilled.

THE STRUCTURE OF KNPD

KNPD is run by a Board and administered through a Secreteriat.

KNPD

KNPD is composed of not less than fourteen members. Seven of the members are appointed as representatives of the Ministeries for Social Policy, Labour, Health, Education, Housing and Economic Planning. Another seven members are appointed by the Prime Minister from among th e persons who best represent voluntary organisations working in the field of disability issues.

The composition of KNPD is bound to:

- Have at least 50% of its members as persons with disability or family members of persons with mental disability;
- A balanced representation of women and men;
- The Chairman or Deputy Chairman have to be disabled persons or a family member of a person with a mental disability.

Mission statement

The National Commission Persons with Disability (the Commission) commits itself to make Maltese Society more inclusive so that persons with disability enjoy a high quality of life by means of equal opportunities in all sections of Society.

In order to implement this commitment, the Commission engages itself to ensure society eliminates all form of direct or indirect discrimination against persons with disability or their families while providing them with the necessary help and support.

All these factsheets are in Maltese and English, and are available also in different formats such as Braille, large print and on CDs. To obtain a copy in the format required, write or call KNPD.

Opening hours

Monday	8:15 am – 12:00 noon
	1:30pm – 5:00pm
Tuesday	8:15 am – 12:00 noon
Wednesday	8:15 am – 12:00.noon
Thursday	8:15 am – 12:00 noon
Friday	8:15 am – 12:00 noon

More information:
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All members of KNPD are appointed by the Prime Minister on the advice of the Minister for Social Policy.

The Secretariat

The Secretariat is entrusted with the implementation of the decisons taken by KNPD and the Executive. It is headed by an Executive Director who also acts as the secretary of the KNPD Board.

THE SERVICES OF KNPD

1. Special Identity Card and the Register for Persons with Disability

KNPD issues a Special Identity Card (SID) for persons with disability. The SID identifies one as a disabled person who can thus apply for further services. KNPD maintains a Register of Persons with Disability sorted by locality, gender, age and different impairent.

2. Assistive Apparatus Service

KNPD provides an Assistive Apparatus Service which includes advice and financial help to persons with disability and their families. The Assistive Apparatus Service enables persons with disability to buy equipment which helps them lead a more independent lifestyle.

3. Wenzu Dalli Resource Centre

KNPD has a Resource Centre with books, periodicals, DVDs and CDs about this sector. The Resource Centre is open to the public, and is of special interest to persons with disability, their families and those who work or study in the area of disability.

The Centre is also responsible for the publications that KNPD issues from time to time in different formats.

4. Disability Issues

KNPD runs a Disability Issues Programme that consists of talks and courses, which focus on the social aspect of disability and on the way in which disabling barriers are constructed by society.

5. PEKTUR

PEKTUR is a programme, of KNPD, which provides limited financial support concerning continuous education, training and research within the disability field, by disabled individuals registered with KNPD, it organises short training courses for disabled activists and parents of persons with intellectual disability and financially support research undertaken by KNPD.

6. Equal Opportunities Compliance Unit

KNPD established the Equal Opportunities Compliance Unit within its Secretariat charged with promoting equality of opportunity and implementing the provisions of the Equal Opportunities Act (Persons with Disability).

The unit investigates allegations of discrimination on the basis of disability.

7. Independent Living Services

KNPD makes recommendations to the departments concerned for these benefits:

- The Vetting of applications for development to MEPA
- The Excemption from custom duty on cars to the Ministry of Finance;
- The Exception from payment of road licences to the Department of Licences;
- The Blue Sticker to the Commissioner of Police;
- Compensation on the purchase of adaptive apparata for use by persons with disability (VAT Exemption).

FOR DIVERSITY AGAINST DISCRIMINATION

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