

How am I protected if I receive a notice to produce?

Have you received a notice to produce from the Disability Royal Commission?

This factsheet is about what it means if you get a 'notice to produce', and the legal protections it gives you.

Get protection for a submission

There are a few different ways to share your story with the Disability Royal Commission.

If you are thinking about making a submission (a record of your story) to the Disability Royal Commission, there might be reasons why you want to protect your story. One way to get extra protection is by asking the Disability Royal Commission to send you a 'notice to produce' for your submission.

You should get legal advice about asking for a 'notice to produce'. Your Story Disability Legal Support can give you this advice and also help you contact the Disability Royal Commission to ask for a notice to produce.

There are lots of things you might be thinking about when you decide how you want to share

your story. You may also like our factsheet on "Protecting your story when you share it with the Disability Royal Commission".

What is a notice to produce?

A notice to produce is a legal document that requires you to give specified information or documents to the Disability Royal Commission. The notice to produce will say when and where you need to provide the information or documents.

It is important you get legal advice if you receive a notice to produce. A lawyer will make sure you respond correctly. This is important because:

- it is an offence not to comply with a notice to produce once you receive it; and
- if you respond to a notice to produce correctly you will get extra protections.

Summary of protections offered by a notice to produce

Protection	Penalties if anyone breaks the protection
The Disability Royal Commission can direct that your information or documents should not be published at all or can only be published in a particular way.	A person who publishes your information or documents could get a fine of up to \$2,000 or go to jail for up to 12 months.
Your response cannot be used as evidence against you in any civil or criminal case in any court.	
No one can cause any hurt, punishment, damage, loss or disadvantage to you for responding to a notice to produce.	A person who causes you any hurt, punishment, damage, loss or disadvantage could get a fine of up to \$1,000 or go to jail for 1 year.
No one can dismiss you from your job, or disadvantage you in your job, for responding to a notice to produce.	<p>A person who dismisses you from your job, or disadvantages you in your job, could get a fine of up to \$1,000 or go to jail for 1 year.</p> <p>Note: This does not apply if you were dismissed or disadvantaged for some reason other than responding to a notice to produce.</p>

I have more questions

Call us on 1800 77 1800 for legal advice.

Your Story Disability Legal Support is free, independent and separate from the Disability Royal Commission. We will not pass your information to the Disability Royal Commission unless you agree. We also won't tell anybody what you tell us, unless you want us to.

Disclaimer: This information is intended as a general guide. It should not be relied on as legal advice and we recommend that you talk to a lawyer about your particular situation.