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News items

South Australian students with disabilities not being 'invested in', Kelly Vincent says
<http://www.abc.net.au/news/2017-05-31/report-into-sa-education-for-students-with-disabilities/8575890>

Perth family fights for braille education for vision-impaired twins
<http://www.abc.net.au/news/2017-05-31/wed-perth-twins-struggle-to-get-braille-education/8572856>

New treatment trialled in battle against ear disease that causes lifelong Indigenous disadvantage
<http://www.abc.net.au/news/2017-05-28/new-treatment-being-trialled-to-heal-runny-ear/8541066>

Brain images reveal roots of kids' increasing cognitive control
<https://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2017/05/170525123048.htm>

Even learning to read in your thirties profoundly transforms brain networks
<http://www.mpi.nl/news/even-learning-to-read-in-your-thirties-profoundly-transforms-brain-networks>

Facial recognition technology being used to improve intellectual disability diagnoses
<http://www.abc.net.au/news/2017-05-29/facial-recognition-technology-being-used-in-disability-research/8562310>

My Deaf Son Fought Speech. Sign Language Let Him Bloom
https://www.nytimes.com/2017/05/26/well/family/my-deaf-son-fought-speech-sign-language-let-him-bloom.html?_r=0

Principals under pressure to enrol children with disabilities without support
<http://www.smh.com.au/nsw/principals-pressured-to-enrol-children-with-disabilities-without-support-20170525-gwcsbx.html>

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Australian researchers using silkworms to repair damaged eardrums

<http://www.abc.net.au/news/2017-05-29/australian-researchers-using-silk-worms-to-fix-eardrums/8567238>

Headset helps the legally blind see

<http://www.gmanetwork.com/news/scitech/technology/611823/headset-helps-the-legally-blind-see-nearly-20-20/story/>

The deaf-blind can now 'watch' television without intermediaries

<https://phys.org/news/2017-05-deaf-blind-television-intermediaries.html>

First-ever global study finds massive health care inequity

<http://www.healthdata.org/news-release/first-ever-global-study-finds-massive-health-care-inequity>

Researchers identify childhood blindness gene

<http://www.ed.ac.uk/news/2017/gene-childhood-blindness>

New Gene Therapy for Vision Loss Proven Safe in Humans

http://www.hopkinsmedicine.org/news/media/releases/new_gene_therapy_for_vision_loss_proven_safe_in_humans

Blind people have brain map for 'visual' observations too

<https://nieuws.kuleuven.be/en/content/2017/blind-people-have-brain-map-for-visual-observations-too>

Scientists Have Reversed Age-Related Blindness by Deliberately Infecting Eyes

With a Virus http://www.sciencealert.com/scientists-have-stopped-age-related-blindness-by-deliberately-infecting-eyes-with-a-virus?utm_source=ScienceAlert+-Daily+Email+Updates&utm_campaign=e8d0de1816-MAILCHIMP_EMAIL_CAMPAIGN&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_fe5632fb09-e8d0de1816-364819261

Talking Point: Vision-impaired television viewers are being left in the dark

<http://www.themercury.com.au/news/opinion/talking-point-visionimpaired-television-viewers-are-being-left-in-the-dark/news-story/4ef7b7992bf01e5c9977dd85a16b2401>

University of Birmingham develops revolutionary eye drops to treat age-related

blindness <http://www.birmingham.ac.uk/news/latest/2017/05/revolutionary-eye-drops-developed.aspx>

The challenges of using technology when you're blind

<http://www.smh.com.au/comment/the-challenges-of-using-technology-when-youre-blind-20170517-gw6jp5.html>

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Right-or left-handedness affects sign language comprehension.

<http://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2017/05/170509093549.htm>

Peripheral reaction time faster in deaf adults and sign language users

<http://www.aoa.org/news/clinical-eye-care/peripheral-reaction-time-faster-in-deaf-adults?sso=y>

Sydney Film Festival's Screenability puts spotlight on people living with disabilities

<http://www.abc.net.au/news/2017-05-08/sydney-film-festival-focus-on-people-living-with-disabilities/8507244>

Reading with children starting in infancy gives lasting literacy boost

<http://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2017/05/170504083146.htm>

Potential predictor of glaucoma damage identified

<https://medicine.wustl.edu/news/potential-marker-glaucoma-damage-identified/>

Prevalence of Visual Impairment among Preschool Children Projected to Increase

<http://jamanetwork.com/journals/jamaophthalmology/fullarticle/10.1001/jamaophthalmol.2017.1021>

Oxford student creates first synthetic retina <http://www.ox.ac.uk/news/2017-05-04-oxford-student-creates-first-synthetic-retina>

Handheld screen time linked with speech delays in young children

<http://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2017/05/170504083141.htm>

For People with Down Syndrome, Varying Test Results Can Make It Harder to Get the Right Vision Prescription

<http://wolterskluwer.com/company/newsroom/news/2017/05/for-people-with-down-syndrome-varying-test-results-can-make-it-harder-to-get-the-right-vision-prescription.html>

The trouble with touchscreens <https://www.visionaustralia.org/news/latest-news/news/2017/05/02/the-trouble-with-touchscreens>

Language shapes how the brain perceives time

<http://www.lancaster.ac.uk/news/articles/2017/language-shapes-how-the-brain-perceives-time/>

IU researchers create human inner ear organs that could lead to new therapies for hearing, balance impairments <http://news.medicine.iu.edu/releases/2017/05/iu-researchers-inner-ear.shtml>

NDIS complaints mount, disability service providers demand urgent improvements

<http://www.abc.net.au/news/2017-05-04/ndis-disability-service-providers-say-urgent-improvements-needed/8494934>

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Malcolm Turnbull announces 'Gonski 2.0' schools review, funding boost
<http://www.abc.net.au/news/2017-05-02/malcolm-turnbull-announces-schools-funding-boost/8489806>

New eye test detects earliest signs of glaucoma <https://wellcome.ac.uk/news/new-eye-test-detects-earliest-signs-glaucoma>

Artificial Intelligence Shows Potential to Fight Blindness
<http://www.newswise.com/articles/artificial-intelligence-shows-potential-to-fight-blindness>

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<http://disabilitycouncil.e-newsletter.com.au/link/id/zzzz592ec992b6fa3258Pzzzz5637f76384c98896/page.htm>
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Eye Health Research Review Issue 30

<http://www.researchreview.com.au/au/clinical-area/other-health/ophthalmology-optometry.aspx>

One in Six newsletter 30 May 2017

<http://www.deafnessforum.org.au/subscribe-one-six>

Talking Tips – Learn to talk around the clock – Karen Rossi May 2017

<http://files.constantcontact.com/70120fb1101/f3025d6a-656c-4327-8b66-7811daff50c3.pdf>

CEC Special Education Today 25 May 2017

<http://multibriefs.com/briefs/CEC-NON/CEC-NON052517.php>

eParent 27 May 2017 <http://secure.campaigner.com/csb/Public/show/gjlyb--ch53l-5nsd0bx1>

APTOS 2017: DR Tele-Treatment Live Demo/CME Credits for COHK Fellows

<http://2017.asiateleophth.org/>

PWDA Daily Media Round-Up Monday 29 May 2017

<http://www.pwd.org.au/library/daily-media-roundup2.html>

DARU update 29 May 2017

<http://mailchi.mp/daru/welcome-to-daru-update-29-may-2017?e=87212e98e4>

NB Online 25 May 2017

<http://rnibenews.org.uk/q/1ma98O4Wwm3FhTieAkUf/wv>

Link What's News in Disability 25 May 2017

<http://mailchi.mp/linkonline/this-weeks-whats-news-in-disability-747889?e=e8142bce6c>

Early Childhood Australia WebWatch #260

http://www.earlychildhoodaustralia.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2017/05/WW260_final10.html

ECA Reconciliation 2017 - May Newsletter

<http://www.earlychildhoodaustralia.org.au/>

PWDA Daily Media Round-Up Tuesday 23 May 2017

<http://www.pwd.org.au/library/daily-media-roundup2.html>

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DARU Update - 22 May 2017

<http://mailchi.mp/daru/welcome-to-daru-update-22-may-2017?e=87212e98e4>

CEC Special Education Today May 18 2017

<http://multibriefs.com/briefs/CEC-NON/CEC-NON051817.php>

AGBell eNEWS May 18 2017

<http://campaign.r20.constantcontact.com/render?m=1113676939929&ca=8ece3f8c-090c-4054-a9f3-7878aa696098>

LINK What's News in Disability <http://mailchi.mp/linkonline/this-weeks-whats-news-in-disability-747885?e=e8142bce6c>

CERA Eye-news May 2017

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PWDA Daily Media Round-Up Wednesday 17 May 2017

<http://www.pwd.org.au/library/daily-media-roundup2.html>

EP-Magazine May 2017

<http://reader.mediawiremobile.com/epmagazine/titles/100501>

CEC Special Education Today 12 May 2017

<http://multibriefs.com/briefs/CEC-NON/CEC-NON051117.php>

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<http://rnibenews.org.uk/q/1ma98O3Gx85myoU56Z1W/wv>

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<http://www.deafnessforum.org.au/subscribe-one-six>

eParent 6 May

<http://secure.campaigner.com/csb/Public/show/g2bsl--cbdyz-5nsd0bx4>

APH News, May 2017

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PWDA Daily Media Round-Up Monday 8 May 2017

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DARU Update - 8 May

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<http://campaign.r20.constantcontact.com/render?m=1113676939929&ca=da0234ee-2daf-4f2e-b3ec-263305decb34>

CEC Special Education Today 4 May 2017 <http://multibriefs.com/briefs/CEC-NON/CEC-NON050417.php>

Supporting success for children with hearing loss - Early May Update

<http://successforkidswithhearingloss.com/bimonthly-update-goodies/>

LINK What's News in Disability

<http://mailchi.mp/linkonline/this-weeks-whats-news-in-disability-747877?e=e8142bce6c>

The Deaf Herald - May 2017

<http://mailchi.mp/deafsociety/aiacyx1ch6-2685777?e=a58482132a>

Insight enews May 2017

<http://rnibenews.org.uk/q/1ma98O3v44cUchiOmFOx/wv>

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The Lowitja Institute eBulletin 1 May 2017

<http://thelowitjinstitute.cmail20.com/t/ViewEmail/j/D3BCB7C5E55F55B3/D67C650B2238FF27C5EC08CADFFC107B>

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Journal ToC alerts

Journal of Telemedicine and Telecare new articles 31 May 2017

<http://journals.sagepub.com/toc/jtta/0/0>

Language Learning Content Alert: 67, 2 (June 2017)

<http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1111/lang.2017.67.issue-2/issuetoc?campaign=woletoc>

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Language Learning Content Alert (New Articles)

[http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/journal/10.1111/\(ISSN\)1467-9922/earlyview?campaign=woearlyview](http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/journal/10.1111/(ISSN)1467-9922/earlyview?campaign=woearlyview)

Clinical and Experimental Optometry (New Articles)

[http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/journal/10.1111/\(ISSN\)1444-0938/earlyview?campaign=woearlyview](http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/journal/10.1111/(ISSN)1444-0938/earlyview?campaign=woearlyview)

Developmental Medicine & Child Neurology (New Articles)

[http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/journal/10.1111/\(ISSN\)1469-8749/earlyview?campaign=woearlyview](http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/journal/10.1111/(ISSN)1469-8749/earlyview?campaign=woearlyview)

Australian Occupational Therapy early view

[http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/journal/10.1111/\(ISSN\)1440-1630/earlyview?campaign=woearlyview](http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/journal/10.1111/(ISSN)1440-1630/earlyview?campaign=woearlyview)

Seminars in Hearing - Issue 02/2017

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Literacy: 51, 2 (May 2017)

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New articles

<http://www.hear-it.org>

Child Language Teaching and Therapy - new articles are available online

<http://journals.sagepub.com/toc/clta/0/0>

Evidence-Based Communication Assessment and Intervention - new articles

<http://www.tandfonline.com/action/showAxaArticles?journalCode=tebc20>

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Other Resources

The Ava threaded speech-to-text application <https://www.ava.me/> gives people with hearing disability an easy way to stay engaged in conversation with a group of friends, colleagues or family. The new Version 1.1.2 released in May 2017 adds Chinese Mandarin characters and Spanish to the pre-existing line-up of English, Dutch, and French. https://mediaaccess.org.au/latest_news/disability/ava-app-makes-group-conversations-accessible

The Tactile Reading Conference on braille and graphics for children and youth is now available online with video recordings of all sessions. <http://www.mtm.se/en/tactilereading2017/conference-videos/>

Wonder movie trailer

Based on the best-selling novel by RJ Palacio.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ngiK1gQK8>

5 ways to help a child who is blind develop social skills

<http://www.perkins.org/stories/5-ways-to-help-a-child-who-is-blind-develop-social-skills>

Rural health topic update AIHW [29 May 2017] Australians living in rural and remote areas tend to have shorter lives, higher levels of disease and injury and poorer access to and use of health services compared to people living in metropolitan areas. Poorer health outcomes in rural and remote areas may be due to a range of factors, including a level of disadvantage related to education and employment opportunities, income and access to health services.

<http://www.aihw.gov.au/rural-health/>

Indigenous eye health measures 2016 AIHW 2017 This is the first national report on 22 newly developed Indigenous eye health measures. The measures cover the prevalence of eye health conditions, diagnosis and treatment services for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Australians, the eye health workforce and outreach services. <http://www.aihw.gov.au/publication-detail/?id=60129559678>

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