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Other Resources

Disability Loop <http://www.disabilityloop.org.au/>

Disability Loop is a way to find out more about the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS).

Proud To Be a #ToyLikeMe | Makies

<https://mymakie.com/campaign/toylikeme/> Makies are totally customisable dolls that you create. Now with inclusive accessories to represent everyone.

Healthy Eating Pyramid | Nutrition Australia

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Erin Moriarty Harrelson | Voices

<http://voices.nationalgeographic.com/author/emoriartyharrelson/> Erin Moriarty Harrelson, a PhD candidate in anthropology at American University, is one of five grantees selected from among 864 applicants for a Fulbright-National Geographic Digital Storytelling Fellowship, which is the first of its kind. Moriarty Harrelson will travel throughout Cambodia for nine months, exploring the emergence of a post-Khmer Rouge deaf culture. She herself is deaf and will use video, text, photographs, maps, and drawings to document the lives of deaf Cambodians as they encounter each other for the first time and learn Cambodian Sign Language—a language that is still being developed and documented.

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