



Building a Collective Voice and Collective Vision so everyone with a disability has an opportunity to participate in sport

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Australia's national sporting organisations for people with disability (NSODs) are finalising an Australian-first collaboration to provide enhanced opportunities for the five million Australians with a disability to participate in sport and physical activity.

At a summit in late November, leaders from each organisation unanimously endorsed recommendations to create a united voice speaking for a collective vision representing the individual interests of the organisations which make up the disability sport sector.

This historic collaboration is the first time the nine NSODs have partnered together, in a formal way, to embed cooperative practices to strengthen the ability of each organisation to deliver on its individual purpose. The nature of the collaboration is designed to build the overall reach of the NSOD sector while also retaining the individual identities of each specialised organisation.

Beyond increasing participation in existing opportunities, the collaboration by the sector has the potential to create new and innovative pathways for all people to participate in sport and physical activity. Kate Palmer, CEO of Sport Australia, said, "Collaboration by the NSODs has an ever reaching impact for people living with a disability, impairment or limitation to be able to find the right sport opportunity for them. I congratulate these organisations for their vision and commitment to making a difference"