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Preserving our dignity

The Dignity Project is a research and community building platform aimed at disrupting stereotypes about people with disability and breaking down the barriers that impact on daily life. The Dignity Project will harness community experiences and ideas to reduce exclusion, marginalisation, and undignified treatment of people with disability.

The Dignity Project Community Hub will bring together citizens and researchers to co-design service and system innovations for the future. The Hub features a digital engagement platform that will allow people with disabilities to share, reinterpret and analyse collective experiences and re-imagine an accessible, inclusive future.

The Community Hub will connect citizen scientists with researchers who are generating quality evidence for change. Through timely research, we will work together to develop rapid responses to critical issues that impact on all Queenslanders with disability, such as the current risk of COVID-19.

The Community Hub digital platform will launch on 29 April 2020.

Have your say and help The Dignity Project uncover the meaning of dignity. If you identify as a person with disability, join us in sharing your experiences and be a part of meaningful change. Join the conversation at [The Community Hub](#) by visiting the link below or by taking part in the [survey](#) and help us preserve dignity for all Queenslanders.

Survey: metrosouthhealth.citizenspace.com/thc/the-dignity-project/

Community Hub: forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=q8h8Wtykm0-_YGZxQEmtYij5q8btji1DnkVYRS755bRURFBFVEdVS09YOFJBUVNWTTE4UEhDRTITNCQIQCN0PWcu

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The Dignity Project is a flagship initiative of the The Hopkins Centre, Queensland's leading disability and rehabilitation research centre founded by Menzies Health Institute of Queensland, Griffith University and the Division of Rehabilitation at Metro South Hospital and Health Service. Together with our affiliate partners, Queensland Motor Accident Insurance Commission, Spinal Life Australia, Synapse, Health Consumers Queensland, RACQ and Gold Coast Health, The Hopkins Centre has built a strong platform of industry collaboration and service user engagement to solve complex challenges for Queenslanders with severe disability. The Dignity Ambassadors, including Angel Dixon and Kevin Cox AM are driving the Centre's focus on citizen collaboration and its importance in research as well as policy and practice development.

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