



Parents of Vision Impaired (NZ) Inc.

Providing a community to support parents of children with vision impairments

Parent-centred events

There are few events on the horizon that parents may be interested in, scroll down to find out more:

- PVI New Parent Orientation Sessions
 - PVI Coffee mornings - Auckland, Christchurch, and New Plymouth
 - Transition into adulthood - Zoom events by the Collaboration for Transition team
 - PVI Parent Conference - save the date
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New Parent Orientation

Term 2 is coming up fast, which means it's time for parent webinars! We have set aside **Tuesday 13 May** and **Tuesday 27 May** for our [new parent orientation zooms](#). These are a set of two informative and interactive online zooms that introduce parents to the blind sector, the disability sector, and assist you in navigating it all with support and laughs!

Topics covered include:

- The acronyms you need to know
- Introduction to BLENNZ and BLVNZ (and how to enrol)
- What you need to know about MOH, MOE, and MSD
- Navigating the blind sector and more

[Register for our new parent zooms here](#)



Coffee mornings

Rosemary and Rebekah are out and about!

Come along, enjoy a coffee on us, meet other parents, ask questions, and enjoy the company of other parents who "get it"!

Auckland with Rosemary - Sylvia Park Columbus Coffee

Wednesday 23 April from 10:30am

Christchurch with Rosemary - Papanui Columbus Coffee (inside Mitre10 Mega)

Friday 16 May from 10.30am

New Plymouth with Rebekah - Haukai Bistro And Bar (New Plymouth Novotel)

Wednesday 21 May from 10.30am

Auckland with Rosemary - Pukekohe Columbus Coffee (inside Mitre10 Mega)

Wednesday 21 May from 11am



THE DISABILITY JOURNEY INTO ADULTHOOD

**WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW
& HOW TO MAKE IT HAPPEN**

What do people
do with
their days ?

Living options
& thinking
about the future

**AN INFORMATIVE ZOOM CONVERSATION
ABOUT LEAVING SCHOOL**

**10TH JUNE OR 19TH AUGUST OR 21ST OCTOBER
10AM-12PM OR**

**12TH JUNE OR 28TH AUGUST OR 30TH OCTOBER
6.30-8.30PM**

**WINZ,
Transport,
Guardianship**

**Transition
services & how
they work**

**What kind of
funding exists
after school?**



**via Zoom RSVP:
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**for updates check out our Facebook
Disability Journey into Adulthood
(NZ)**

The disability journey into adulthood

What you need to know and how to make it happen

An informative two-hour zoom conversation about leaving school.

[Follow the link](#) to register and book your spot (tickets are free).

Topics covered include:

- Transitioning out of school
- ORS vs Non ORS students
- Transport Options
- Work and Income Supports
- Community Engagement, Options, Support
- Disability Support Services (previously Whaikaha - Ministry of Disabled People and Ministry of Health)
- Living Options
- Legal Options
- Transition Coordinators

Feedback from recent sessions:

- *“These were the best 2 hours I have ever spent on supporting my AUDHD child and I couldn't be more grateful”*
- *“Thank you for the session last night. We found it really informative”*
- *“The session was fantastic and I commend you all for passing on lots of information in a really balanced and thoughtful way – something that is not easy when you have to consider all the types of disabilities, and different things going on in people's lives”*

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PVI Parent Conference 2025

Save the date!

Conference this year will be in Rotorua, 10-12 October. More to come so watch this space...

[Pre-register your interest for PVI's 2025 parent conference](#)



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