



FIGHT THE FEE HIKE!

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FEES BULLETIN

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VILLAMANTA LEGAL CHALLENGE

Villamanta are now representing approximately 2,000 individuals at VCAT challenging the board and lodging increase. Administrators State Trustees and Judge and Papaleo have also consented to Villamanta acting on behalf of their affected clients.

Ben von Einem and Viv Avery of Villamanta advise affected parties not to co-operate with the financial planning process or sign hardship applications as the content of each is currently subject, in part, to a VCAT challenge.



Villamanta Disability Rights Legal Service Inc.

The Jurisdictional Hearing is on Wed 28th August and Thursday 29th August at VCAT, 55 King Street, Melbourne.

PETITION

Thursday 19th September is the day the petitions will be presented to Parliament so please keep them coming, we need as many signatures as we can collect!

About 5,500 signatures have come in so far. If you need more copies of the petition you can download them from the Fight the Fees website or contact the VALID Office 9416 4003 to have more mailed to you.



Victorian Advocacy League for Individuals with Disability Inc

POSTCARD

A Postcard to the Premier is being printed and will be sent to everyone who has signed onto the Fight the Fees petition. When you receive your postcard please fill it in and post it to Premier Napthine.

UNION SUPPORT

The Fight the Fees Campaign welcomes the support of the Hospital and Community Services Union (HACSU). The Australian Education Union (AEU) and the Plumbers' Union.

RALLY

The Campaign will be organising a rally to protest the fees hike on September 19th. Make sure to watch the campaign's Facebook page for developments.



VALID Keys to Success Conference

A session on the effect of rising fees and the status of the campaign has been scheduled for Friday 18th at the VALID's Keys to Success Conference being held 17th & 18th October. You can find information about the conference at www.valid.org.au

Fight the Fees says

The introduction of Disability Care raises so many big questions that need to be answered about what Government is paying for before decisions can be made about what people with disability should be paying.

You can Support the campaign by

- **Signing the petition**
- **Telling people of the issue**
- **Applying a bumper sticker to the rear of your car**
- **Joining the campaign on Facebook or Twitter, or visiting the website**

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