



# Regional Autistic Engagement Network (RAEN)

## PEER CONNECT PROGRAM

The Peer Connect Program operates Statewide. Our Peer Groups are facilitated by lived experience volunteers who work with RAEN to design their groups to meet community interests and needs. All our groups are explicitly neuro-affirming and LGBTQIA+ inclusive. All groups require under 18 attendees to be accompanied by a guardian.

### ONLINE:

- D&D Rotating Mini Campaigns
- Lo-Fi Body Doubling
- Moderated Minecraft Realm
- Private Community Facebook Group
- Moderated Discord

### NORTH:

- Autistic Adults 30+ (closed to new members)
- Parents & Carers Group (In development)

### SOUTH:

- NatureAuts Walking Group
- Young Adults Hobart (closed to new members)
- Happy Hour Hobart (seeking facilitator)
- Neurodivergent Parents Group
- Parents Group - Kingsborough

### NORTH-WEST:

- Happy Hour Devonport
- Board Games Burnie
- TTRPG Burnie (closed to new members)

To get involved, email: [peerconnect@raentasia.com.au](mailto:peerconnect@raentasia.com.au)

### GROUP DETAILS



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## LIVED EXPERIENCE SERVICES

All of our services are delivered by Lived Experience Consultants, who have a lived experience of neurodivergence as well as being sector experts. RAEN is a proudly disability led organisation and believes strongly in the "nothing about us without us" ethos and that there is no one better to provide insight to autistic and ADHD experience than those who are neurodivergent or family of neurodivergent people.

### INCLUSIVE SPACE ASSESMENTS

Have you ever thought about whether your space is an accommodating one? Our expert Lived Experience Consultants are here to help. We can provide:

- An in-person visit to complete a 1-hour assessment using our sensory assessment framework and video recording.
- A comprehensive Inclusive Space Report that assesses your space and considers neurodivergent experiences of all senses to deliver comprehensive recommendations in an easy to understand report. Optional follow up zoom.

### PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

RAEN offers a two hour intro course on Autism that is suited to sector workers, health workers, educators, employers and more. This can be tailored to include ADHD. RAEN can also offer deep dive sessions or full day training tailored to your industry and to explore strategies and tools to equip you in supporting neurodivergent folk. All of our training includes education on terminology, communication, culture and identity and, sensory experiences and includes the opportunity for a Q&A with a Lived Experience Consultant.

### CONSULTANTS, SPEAKERS & EXPOS

RAEN can attend speaking engagements, facilitate workshop delivery and classroom education sessions, host Q&A's, consult on policy reform & program development, provide insight on terminology and neuro-affirmative framework, attend expos and provide information sessions.

**To book, email: [info@raentasma.com.au](mailto:info@raentasma.com.au)**

### MORE DETAILS



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## ABOUT RAEN

Created and run "for us by us". The Regional Autistic Engagement Network (RAEN) is an Autistic & ADHD created, led and managed network that started as a grassroots peer network in the North-West of Tasmania. RAEN now facilitates a number of peer groups across the state both in person and online and provides community and workplace training and advocacy to improve the experiences of Neurodivergent people across the whole of Tasmania.

At the core of what we do and believe is the delivery of ALL of our services by Lived Experience Consultants and Facilitators. We are passionate about platforming the voices of the Tasmanian Autistic and ADHD Community in everything we do. Currently RAEN is entirely volunteer run.

## BECOME A MEMBER

RAEN Has three types of membership:

- A person who are diagnosed as or self-identify as Autistic or ADHD (free)
- A person who are a family member or carer of a person who is diagnosed as or self-identifies as Autistic or ADHD (free)
- Person or group of people who represent a service provider or organisation that operates in Tasmania and supports Autistic and/or ADHD people. (\$25.00 fee)

## DONATE TO SUPPORT RAEN

RAEN is entirely volunteer run and is a new organisation born out of the current lack of peak body or disability led advocacy services for Autistic and ADHD Tasmanians. Any donation makes a huge difference.

## WORK WITH RAEN

If you have a program you need help to deliver, funding for betterment of Autistic/ADHD Tasmanians or want to use our Lived Experience Services (PD, Inclusive Space Assessments, Consultants), please get in touch!



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