# Attending the local school-Inclusion that's good for everyone

## Presented by Dr Bob Jackson

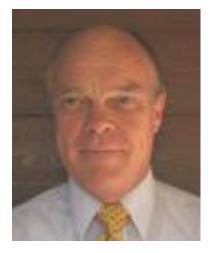
#### Thursday 31st August Brisbane

For children with disability, being included in your local school can provide a strong foundation for an inclusive life. Despite solid research evidence about the benefits of inclusive education for students with and without disability, families are often not encouraged to pursue inclusive education or do not know how it would work for their child.

### About the topic:

This workshop will provide the opportunity to learn from an experienced educator and academic about what inclusive education is, and what it is not. It will provide the research evidence about the comparative benefits of inclusive education vs special education.

Dr Bob Jackson will also share helpful strategies which allow children with disabilities to be successfully supported within their local school and learn alongside their peers. Bob will give examples of how students with a range of disabilities can access the same curriculum, and participate fully in the life of the school. He will also provide tips for families on advocacy and how to work with the school to strengthen inclusive practices. Bob will be joined by a panel of parents whose children are included at their local school.



#### **Presenter:**

Dr Bob Jackson has worked with people with disabilities since the 1970s. From 1990-2003 he was based at Edith Cowan University, where he became Associate Professor of Special Education. Dr Jackson was a founding member of the Foundation for Social Inclusion in 2002 and remains a board member. He is Adjunct Associate Professor at Curtin University.

Bob has recently completed a national survey of families' rating of their school on meeting the Disability Education Standards, and experiences of gatekeeping. He is a nationally recognised consultant, researcher, evaluator and presenter.



## Who should attend?

Parents who are interested in enrolling their son or daughter in the local regular school, as well as families currently pursuing inclusive education who want to know how to make it more successful.

- Dates: Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> August 2017 Time: 9:15am to 2:30pm Register from8:30 Venue: Autism Hub 141 Merton Road Woolloongabba Cost: \$30
  - RSVP: Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> August

\*\*Numbers will be limited\*\* Register at:

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