

Media Release

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John Alexander MP appointed patron of Achieve Australia

This week, John Alexander MP, Federal Member for Bennelong was announced as Achieve Australia's new Patron.

Mr Alexander has shown strong support for Achieve Australia since his election as the local Federal Member in August 2010. In the past, he has attended annual Crowle fetes, been a guest at one of the organisation's DisabiliTeas to promote the National Disability Insurance Scheme, and participated at Achieve Australia's recent 10th Annual Fundraising Golf Day.

Achieve Australia CEO, Anne Bryce said:

"We are very pleased that Mr Alexander has accepted this appointment. His support for Achieve Australia in the past has been greatly appreciated and we look forward to his assistance in creating community awareness about the ways we support people with disability to achieve a meaningful and valued life."

As part of his new role as Patron, Mr Alexander will continue to attend activities and events for the organisation, including the promotion of Achieve Australia's 60th anniversary celebrations in 2012.

The announcement was made at the official opening of Achieve Australia's new Day Program facility, Araluen on Tuesday evening.

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About Achieve Australia

Achieve Australia is a community based not-for-profit organisation operating across metropolitan Sydney. We support more than 550 people with disability across accommodation, employment and day programs throughout the community on the basis of achieving social inclusion. We are also planning to commence a respite service.

Achieve Australia is supported and funded by NSW Department Family and Community Services - Ageing, Disability & Home Care (ADHC) and programs funded by the Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations (DEEWR). We support people with disability to live, work and participate in the community.

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