

2017

Our year in review



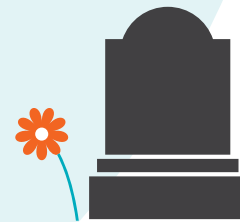
Why we do what we do



10% of population will have a **seizure** in their lifetime (2.4 million in 2016)



3%-4% of population will have a **diagnosis of epilepsy** in their lifetime (approx 900,000 in 2016)



On average **290** **epilepsy-related deaths** per year occurred in Australia between 2008-12

How we met our purpose

Who we supported



1220 individual clients supported*

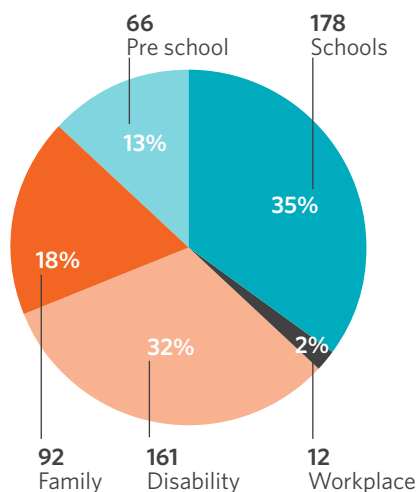
* And we supported so many more communities and individual support networks that work with and around the person living with epilepsy.



411 Epilepsy Management Plans (EMP) developed

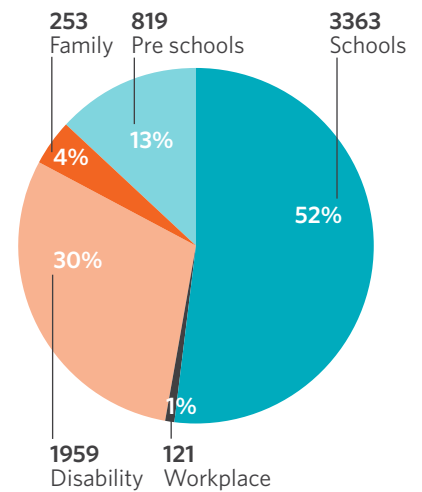
Who we trained

Number of sessions



Total number of sessions **509**

Number of participants



Total number of participants **6515**

Who participated

1494 people are on the research register

393 people from the register participated in wave 4 of the **Australian Epilepsy Longitudinal Study (AELS)** this year

4 publications produced

This year we ...

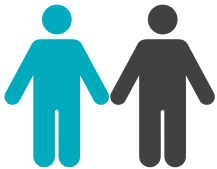
- ▶ Launched our **new dedicated resources website**
- ▶ Developed a range of new support **Information Sheets**
- ▶ Implemented a **new learning platform**
- ▶ Opened one **new op shop** with a total of 5 overall

How you engaged with us



Through our online presence

- 3894** visits to our **Epilepsy Smart School website**
- 1299** visits to the quiz
- 1153** accessed our resources
- 177** viewed our School Peer Program
- 35124** visits to our **Epilepsy Foundation website**
- 5148** EMP page visits
- 2992** resource page visits
- 1984** seizure first aid page visits



Through our Peer Support Groups

People living with epilepsy connected with each other through our Peer Support Groups.

- 12** groups
- 55** meetings
- 635** attended peer events
- 945** on our peer mailing list



Through our Op Shops

You helped us support the principles of environmental sustainability 'recycle, reuse and repurpose' through Op Shop giving and purchases, while raising money to support our vision.

- 66,310** customers
- 5** stores raising **\$151,000**



By volunteering

You gave your time freely to support the work we do

- 230** active volunteers
- 45,160** hours



Through fundraising

- 12,108** donors
- \$1,392,681** raised to support our vision



Through social media

- 18,953** Facebook followers
- 19,850** Facebook likes
- 1265** Epilepsy Foundation Instagram followers
- 454** Epilepsy Foundation Op Shop Instagram followers

"Thank you so much for your assistance and friendly advice. It is wonderful to have a friend at the end of the line! ... The Foundation provides a wonderful, friendly service and I'm proud to be a supporter."

Support recipient

"I feel much more confident and aware of the challenges of living with epilepsy."

Training participant

"This training has built up my confidence and erased the fear of having a patient with epilepsy."

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