Dear Members,

We are glad to see Priyanka Radhakrishnan has kept the disability issues portfolio in opposition and look forward to working with her on the issues that are important to our members and the sector, like pay equity and adequate funding for services. We will be seeking a meeting with Priyanka at the earliest time to discuss the Labour opposition's position on these issues.

Meanwhile, the Greens have announced Kahurangi Carter is to be their spokesperson for disability issues amongst other portfolio areas of interest. While the Greens website lists the environment as a key area of interest for Kahurangi, we will seek to meet with her to ensure she builds a good understanding of the disability sector and the issues we face.

We will keep an eye out for any other disability spokespeople appointed and alert you in due course.

Peter Reynolds Chief Executive Officer

Kia Tu Tahi Tatou NZDSN