



the spastic centre

for people with cerebral palsy

Strategic Plan

2007-2010





The Facts

Cerebral palsy is the most common physical disability in childhood, yet the cause of the condition is mostly unknown.

Cerebral palsy remains just as prevalent in western countries, despite advances in obstetric and neonatal care.

A child is born with cerebral palsy in Australia every 18 hours.



From the President and CEO

An ever-changing landscape, shifts in government priorities and increasing expectations to deliver will impact our future. During the next three years, we will need to balance our need to continue much of our business as usual with our desire to take up new opportunities.

This new plan builds on the significant achievements made over the last three years in both service delivery and our financial stability.

Our continued financial security will allow us to expand some existing services and establish new models.

Our partnerships with governments and their long-term commitment to disability will strengthen our endeavours and the wider community.

The growth of our CP Foundation will also allow us to further support research into the cure and prevention of cerebral palsy and into the development of improved interventions.

The connections made globally over the last three years have been invaluable. They will be reinforced to make a difference for people with cerebral palsy world-wide as we share knowledge and best practices.

Increasing demand for services will require us to think creatively and explore changes to some of our traditional approaches.

We are confident that this plan is the blueprint that will provide the necessary direction for The Spastic Centre to achieve this and more over the next three years. We move towards 2010 with great optimism.

Marelle Thornton AM
President

Rob White
Chief Executive Officer



Mission Statement

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Building Futures

