# Supporting Real Deinstitutionalisation: A Perspective from New Zealand

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#### Who am I?



## Sir Robert Martin KNZM UN CRPD committee member



## Today's talk

- ≠ Why institutions are bad places
- ≠ What the deinstitutionalisation process is like
- ✓ Deinstitutionalisation what it is
- ✓ Deinstitutionalisation what it isn't

#### To institutionalise

#### 1. The place



#### 2. The mind



## To deinstitutionalise (1)

#### 1. The place?

#### **New Zealand**







#### To deinstitutionalise (2)

1. The place? 2. The mind?

#### Real deinstitutionalisation - within people (1)

1. Self-Advocacy and Rights education through Disabled Persons Organisations

#### Real deinstitutionalisation - within people (2)

1. Self-Advocacy and Rights education through Disabled Persons Organisations

#### 2. Accessible information like Easy Read

## Real deinstitutionalisation - within people (3)

- 1. Self-Advocacy and Rights education through Disabled Persons Organisations
- 2. Accessible information like Easy Read
- 3. Assistance informed by the Social/Human Rights model of disability

#### Real deinstitutionalisation - within people (4)

- 1. Self-Advocacy and Rights education through Disabled Persons Organisations
- 2. Accessible information like Easy Read
- 3. Assistance informed by the Social/ Human Rights model of disability
- 4. Treat people with human dignity

## To deinstitutionalise (3)

1. The place?

2. The mind?

3. Society?

## From Institution to Knighthood



#### Real deinstitutionalisation - within society (1)

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## Real deinstitutionalisation - within society (2)

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#### 3. Run social change campaigns

#### Real deinstitutionalisation - within society (4)

- 1. Get to know people with learning disability
- 2. Support people and their families financially, practically and emotionally
- 3. Run social change campaigns
- 4. Value the people working in the disability sector
  - especially front-line workers

#### Ngā mihi nui, thank you

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