



NATIONAL FEDERATION OF VOLUNTARY BODIES

Providing Services to People with Intellectual Disability



INVITATION: JOINT NATIONAL PRESS CONFERENCE

- **5 largest intellectual disability and autism representative organisations hold joint press conference in advance of Budget 2010**

Date: Wednesday 14th October 2008

Time: 11am

Venue: The Alexander Hotel, Dublin 2

Who: Inclusion Ireland, the National Federation of Voluntary Bodies, the National Parents and Siblings Alliance, Irish Autism Action and Down Syndrome Ireland

Five major agencies representing people with an intellectual disability and autism will hold a joint press conference on Wednesday 14th October.

They will call on the Government to think firmly in economic terms: supporting children with an intellectual disability from an early age saves the State in the long-term and restructuring and reimagining how disability services are provided can save the State millions. Both also result in a better quality of life for the person with a disability and their families.

Inclusion Ireland, the National Federation of Voluntary Bodies, the National Parents and Siblings Alliance, Irish Autism Action and Down Syndrome Ireland will together demand that the voice of people with an intellectual disability is heard in the upcoming Budget.

EVERYONE WELCOME