



International Access to Information Day

Building Trust through Transparency
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Webinar - Accessing government documents in WA – an FOI briefing for advocates

The *Freedom of Information Act 1992* (WA) gives a right to access State and local government documents, subject to some restrictions.

Get information about how this works in practice: What kind of information is exempt? What if the agency says the application is too large? What about delays? What if the agency says the document does not exist? The session will include tips for making an effective FOI application and an opportunity to ask questions about the FOI process.

- WHEN:** 10:00 am to 11:30am Tuesday 29 September 2020
- WHERE:** via Zoom (details will be provided after registration)
- HOW TO REGISTER:** Register by email to advice_and_awareness@foi.wa.gov.au or phone 6551 7888
- COST:** Free event. Bookings are essential.

About International Day for Access to Information – 28 September

International Access to Information Day is held on 28 September every year and recognises the community's right to access government-held information.

The theme for International Access to Information Day (**IAID**) 2020 is *Building trust through transparency*. The right to access state and local government documents under the FOI Act assists the public to hold governments accountable in times of crisis, when critical decisions about health or public safety, the economy and human rights are being made. Access to information and transparency ultimately build trust, unity and can lead to better decision-making.

IAID is designed to raise awareness of every individual's right of access to government-held information; and the public sector's responsibility to release information, if it is in the public interest to do so.

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