



ABBREVIATIONS USED IN DISABILITY SERVICES IN IRELAND

AAC- Augmentative and Alternative Communication

ABA- Applied Behaviour Analysis

ADL – Activities of Daily Living

ANA – Additional Needs Assistant

AIMS – Access and Inclusion Model

AMO – Area Medical Officer

AON – Assessment of Need

AT – Assisted Technology

BCBA – Board Certified Behavioural Analyst

CAMHS – Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service

CBA- Community Based Assessment

CCPT – Child Centred Play Therapy

CDNM- Children’s Disability Network Manager

CDNT – Children’s Disability Network Team

CDNTIMS – Information Management System (in CDNT)

CHO – Community Health Organisation

CORU – Multi-profession Health Regulator

DA – Disability Allowance

DARE – Disability Access Route to Education

DCA- Domiciliary Care Allowance

DCEDIY – Department of Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth

DOE – Department of Education

DPO – Disabled Persons Organisation

DSS – Decision Support Service

Dx – Diagnosis

EPSEN- Education for Persons with Special Educational Needs

FCP- Family Centred Practice

FEDS – Feeding, Eating, Drinking, Swallowing Difficulties

FOI – Freedom of Information

FRC – Family Resource Centre

HSCP – Health & Social Care Professionals

HSE – Health Service Executive

ICSF – Integrated Children’s Services Forum

IEP – Individual Education Plan

IFSP – Individual Family Support Plan

IHREC – Irish Human Rights Equality Commission

IWD – Individual with Disability

KPI- Key Performance Indicator

MDT – Multidisciplinary Team

MH – Mental Health

(M)SW – (Medical) Social Work

NAP – National Access Policy

NCSE – National Council for Special Education

NDA – National Disability Authority

NEPS – National Education Psychology Service

NGO – NON Governmental Organisation

OT- Occupational Therapy

OP- Optional Protocol (related to UNCRPD)

PBA – Play Based Assessment

PBS – Positive Behavioural Support

PCA – Personal Care Assistant

PDS – Progressing Disability Services

PC- Primary Care

PCC – Primary Care Centre

PECS – Picture Exchange Communication System

PT – Physical Therapy

PWD- Persons with Disability

RAG – Resource Allocation Group

RACE - Reasonable Accommodations in Certificate Examinations

SCPA – Scheme for Commissioning Psychology Assessments (NEPS related)

SEN(D) – Special Educational Needs (Disabilities)

SENCO – Special Educational Needs Co-ordinator

SENO – Special Educational Needs Organiser

SET – Special Education Teacher

SLT/SALT – Speech and Language Therapy

SSP – Student Support Plan

UNCRPD – United Nations Convention on Rights of Persons with Disabilities

WTE – Whole Time Equivalent

