



# PT PTV Hub Communication Board



I need help with

- myki
- Travel Pass

What platform does the train leave from? What time does the train leave?

Please write it down

I need help with something else

Where is the NSW TrainLink office?

Where is the accessible tram stop? Where can I get a bus?

Where can I get a taxi?

Where can I charge my wheelchair?

I'd like a timetable

Where is the lift?

Where is the escalator?

Where are the toilets?

Where is Travellers Aid?

I'd like a map

Can you give me directions?

I want to get a concession card I want to make a complaint

I've lost something. I've had something stolen.

## How to use a communication board

Communication boards can help people who cannot talk or have speech that is difficult to understand.

#### 1. Introduce yourself

Ask: Do you need help? How can I help you?

If someone has a communication difficulty and you don't understand their message – offer a communication board.

#### 2. Choose the right board

Show the picture board, word board and spelling board.

Say: I'm having difficulty understanding you. Would you like to use a board? Which one would you like to use?

### 3. Instructions for using a picture board or word board

- Place the communication board on a stable surface in front of the person so they can easily see it and reach it.
- When the person can point independently
  - Ask the person to point to what he or she wants to say.
  - Check you understood the message, e.g. Are you asking about....?
  - Look for a Yes or No response.
- When the person cannot point independently
  - Ask the person to show you how they say Yes and No.
  - Say: I will point to each message. Say 'Yes' when it is the message that you want.
  - Point to one picture at a time, along each row, and read each message aloud.
  - When the person indicates Yes, confirm that you have understood the message.
- If the person cannot use the communication board, you may need to ask someone who knows the person well to assist.