

# What do you need to know about the NDIS rollout in NSW?

Easy Read fact sheet

## What is the National Disability Insurance Scheme?

The logo for the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS), consisting of the lowercase letters 'ndis' in a sans-serif font. The 'n' and 'd' are purple, and the 'i' and 's' are blue.

The National Disability Insurance Scheme is also called the NDIS.



The NDIS gives people with disability more choice and control over the supports they receive.



You can find out if you will be able to use the NDIS on the website [www.ndis.gov.au](http://www.ndis.gov.au)



Under the NDIS, 140,000 people in NSW will receive disability support.

**\$6.4 billion**

To make this happen, \$6.4 billion will be spent on disability support in NSW.

## When will you be able to receive support from the NDIS?



You will be able to receive support from the NDIS from 1 July 2016 if you live in these areas:

- Central Coast
- Hunter New England
- Nepean Blue Mountains
- Northern Sydney
- South Western Sydney
- Southern NSW
- Western Sydney



You will be able to receive support from the NDIS from 1 July 2017 if you live in these areas:

- Illawarra Shoalhaven
- Mid North Coast
- Murrumbidgee
- Northern NSW
- South Eastern Sydney
- Sydney
- Western NSW
- Far West



You can find out when the NDIS is available in your area on the NSW NDIS website

**[www.ndis.nsw.gov.au](http://www.ndis.nsw.gov.au)**

## If you are already receiving support



How and when you can use the NDIS will depend on the supports you are currently receiving, if any.



Most people receiving specialist disability supports like:

- supported accommodation
- day programs
- case management services

will access the NDIS in an easy way in the first 6 months that it starts in your area.



If you are receiving specialist disability supports from time-to-time, or for a short amount of time each week, like:

- respite care
- community care programs

you will be able to access the NDIS from when it becomes available in your area, if you are eligible.

## If you do not currently receive support and you are in immediate need of assistance



If you:

- do not currently receive disability support from the NSW Government and
- are in immediate need of assistance

you can access the NDIS from when it starts in your area, if you are eligible.

## What can you expect from the NDIS?



The NDIS will be available everywhere in NSW by July 2018.



Everyone using the NDIS will be treated well, receiving safe and good support.



Under the NDIS, you shouldn't receive less support, or worse support, than what you are receiving now.



There will be **Information, Linkages and Capacity Building**, also called ILC, to help you get ready for the NDIS.

## What should you do now?



You will be contacted if you already receive support.



If you do not currently receive support you should contact the National Disability Insurance Agency when the NDIS become available in your area.

You can phone the NDIA on 1800 800 110 or you can get more information on the website [www.ndis.gov.au](http://www.ndis.gov.au)



You will still receive support from the NSW Government until you can start using the NDIS.



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