

Information for Aboriginal people with disability, their families, carers and communities, about the new way to get support

What is the NDIS?

The National Disability Insurance Scheme is also called the NDIS.

The NDIS is a new way for people with disability to get the care and supports they need to live a better life.

The NDIS recognises that everyone is different and gives people with disability more choice and flexibility.

For example, you may not be happy with the service provider you use. The NDIS will make it easier for you to change service providers and make sure you are getting the support you need.

If you are happy with the support you are getting, there is no reason to change. The NDIS will not take that help away.

If you are not eligible for the NDIS you will not be disadvantaged. People who already receive support will continue to receive support.



What support can you get from the NDIS?

The life of each person with disability is different, so the support will be different for everybody.

Refer to Fact sheet 2: *All about disability* to see what types of support you can get from the NDIS.



What should you do next?

If you already receive disability support or services from a service provider you can talk to them about the NDIS and what it all means.

They can also explain what other types of disability support are available and who can provide the support you may be looking for.

There may be other people in your community who are accessing the NDIS or may want to learn about the NDIS as well. Yarn with them, share ideas and swap stories.

The National Disability Insurance Agency (NDIA) will work out if you can use the NDIS.



You can phone the NDIA on **1800 800 110** or you can get more information on the website: www.ndis.gov.au



There is also a checklist on the NDIS website to help you find out if you are able to apply for the NDIS: www.ndis.gov.au/ndis-access-checklist.html

More information

There are several factsheets available for Aboriginal People about the NDIS in NSW. These include:

- Factsheet 1: *NDIS for Aboriginal people with disability in NSW*
- Factsheet 2: *All about disability*
- Factsheet 3: *What is the NDIS?*
- Factsheet 4: *Accessing the NDIS*



This is fact sheet 3

