

What may or may not be funded?

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The NDIS is not intended to solve everything. It does not replace what are called ‘mainstream services’.

What may be funded in an NDIS package?

Some of the goals, aspirations, needs and supports in your approved plan may include NDIS funding. As a participant you may receive a package of funds that you can use to help you implement your plan. This can include funding to have one or several support workers to provide you with different types of support.

The main types of funded supports are:

- ‘capacity building’ supports that help you build skills for the future. An example of this is funding for coordination of supports to help carry out your NDIS plan
- ‘core’ supports that provide direct help with activities of daily living. An example of this is help with housekeeping; especially for times when your mental health is poor
- ‘capital’ supports. These are devices and equipment that may help you to participate in the community. An example of this might be an electronic calendar to help you remember and be on time for appointments.

For examples of these types of supports for people living with a psychosocial disability check out the [How can the NDIS support me to achieve my hopes and dreams?](#) page.

What may not be funded in an NDIS package?

Supports that are not funded as part of an NDIS package include things that are:

- not related to your disability
- not considered reasonable or necessary
- likely to cause you harm
- for daily living cost.

Also, supports you receive from mainstream services are written in your NDIS plan to give a complete picture of the supports you receive but are usually not funded. Mainstream services are provided from other government systems and include:

- Health
- Mental health
- Early childhood development
- Child protection and family support
- School education
- Higher education and Vocational Education and Training
- Employment
- Housing and community infrastructure
- Justice
- Aged care.

The National Disability Insurance Agency works alongside mainstream services to help improve the lives of people with disability. A set of guidelines, or 'principles' have been developed to help define the responsibilities of the NDIS compared to other services. The principles say that your medical treatment for a mental health condition will continue to be provided from where you are currently getting it now .

Still have questions? Go to Step 2 in your reimagine.today workbook and write down a list of questions to ask your Local Area Coordinator or a National Disability Insurance Agency representative.

Useful link

[Principles to Determine the Responsibilities of the NDIS and Other Service Systems](#)

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