

TIPS: For gathering information about functional impacts

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Hear from some NDIS participants and carers speak about what information they collected when applying for the NDIS

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If you have current assessment information that addresses functional impairment you should include it with your access request, or provide information about where the National Disability Insurance Agency can get it.

Examples would be an occupational therapy assessment, psychological reports or other psychosocial or functional assessments which could include:

1. Information provided by you or your family/carer to Australian Government agencies such as Centrelink
2. Information provided to state/territory government agencies
3. Needs assessment or outcome tools used to understand the changes you are making in your life. This information is sometimes collected with you by you service providers to understand your treatment and care needs. Mental health services that you may already receive may have some of this information. You can ask for a copy to attach to your NDIS access request. If you are not sure if a service or worker currently supporting you has any of these then ask them.

The more information you provide to the National Disability Insurance Agency the better able they are to make a decision about your eligibility.

Some examples of tools are:

- World Health Organisation Disability Assessment Scale
- Life Skills Profile
- Health of the Nation Outcome Scale
- Living in the Community Questionnaire
- Camberwell Assessment of Need
- Recovery Assessment Scale - Domains and Stages .

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