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# No Disadvantage and the NDIS

This fact sheet is about the National Disability Insurance Scheme and no disadvantage.

The National Disability Insurance Scheme is called the NDIS.

The NDIS is a new way to help people with a disability get

- care
- supports.

You might already get money to pay for care and supports. For example, from Medicare.

The NDIS will now pay for some of your care and supports.



#### No disadvantage

Disadvantage means to make worse off.

You might start to get disability support from the NDIS soon.

You new disability services might be different from your old disability services.

No disadvantage means the NDIS will make sure you are no worse off.

This fact sheet is also about reasonable and necessary supports.

Reasonable means something that is fair.

Necessary means something you must have.

The NDIS pays for reasonable and necessary supports.



# What the NDIS pays for

The NDIS pays for different supports for different people.

The supports **must** help you

- be more independent. For example,
  - changes to your car
  - changes to your house.
- join in the community. For example,
  - get a job
  - join a group.
- get services you need. For example,
  - transport
  - a support worker to help you at home
  - therapy, like speech pathology.
- get equipment and aids you need. For example,
  - a wheelchair
  - a communication device.



# What the NDIS does not pay for

The NDIS will say no to things that are not related to your disability.

For example, the NDIS will not pay for things that everyone has to pay for like

- food
- electricity
- movie tickets.

The NDIS will not pay for things that might hurt you or other people.



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