



Hear For You and the NDIS

A guide for parents and teenagers regarding
NDIS funding for Hear For You Programs

What is the NDIS?

Launched in July 2016, the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) is a new way of providing support for people with disabilities. Implemented by the National Disability Insurance Agency (NDIA), the scheme has meant big changes for people with a disability, their families and carers.

Now, people with disabilities are able to work with the NDIA to develop a support plan that's tailored to their needs. As part of this plan, people with disabilities can get NDIS funding for specific types of supports – meaning they have more say over what supports they receive, and which accredited providers they work with. One of the key advantages of the NDIA is that individuals have more power and control over their lives, and receive the support they need to achieve their goals. For more info on the scheme head to [ndis.gov.au](https://www.ndis.gov.au)

Is Hear For You an accredited NDIS provider?

Yes, Hear For You is a fully accredited NDIS provider in all Australian States and Territories. In 2019, we aim to host programs in Brisbane, Canberra, Sydney, Melbourne, and in selected NDIS areas of Rural and Regional NSW, QLD, and Victoria.

How can I best state my case for funding (to cover Hear For You programs and workshops) when applying to the NDIS?

While we can't guarantee you will receive NDIS funding to cover Hear For You workshops, when you apply, do so by requesting funding under these following support **two clusters**.

9. INCREASED SOCIAL AND COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION (PREFERRED)

SUPPORT ITEM	SUPPORT ITEM REF NUMBER	DESCRIPTION
Life transition planning including mentoring, peer support and individual skill development.	09_006_0106_6_3	Establishing volunteer assistance within the participant's home or community to develop skills. For instance, assistance in attending appointments, shopping, bill paying, taking part in social activities and maintaining contact with others.

15. IMPROVED DAILY LIVING SKILLS (ONLY IF UNABLE TO SECURE FUNDING UNDER SECTION 9)

SUPPORT ITEM	SUPPORT ITEM REF NUMBER	DESCRIPTION
Assistance with decision making, daily planning, budgeting.	15_035_0106_1_3	Provision of time limited support to assist a person to develop and maintain daily budget, including assisting in planning purchases.

Is NDIS the only way I can pay for Hear For You programs or workshops?

There are three ways you can pay for our programs and workshops.

Option 1: You can pay for the activity yourself, upfront.

Option 2: If you have NDIS funding, you may be able to pay for the program or workshop through your plan. To do this, you'll need to buy an NDIS Participant ticket to the program or workshop of your choice via [Eventbrite](#) and fill in the required information we need regarding your NDIS Plan. e.g. your NDIS number and whether you're NDIA Agency managed, Plan Managed, or Self-Managed. Click to see the [programs and workshops available](#).

Option 3: , if you are going through financial hardship you can apply to be part of our Community Fundraising Program, where we will work with you to fundraise through your local community clubs (RSLs, Rotary, Lions, Apex, etc.) To find out more about this option, please email us.

How many NDIS hours will I use with Hear For You?

★ Life Goals and Skills (Metro) Program

Number of NDIS Hours Required: 30

This is our flagship mentoring program, which focuses on bringing together deaf and hard of hearing teenagers with inspiring mentors who have 'been there, done that'. Together we explore different aspects of life, giving you then chance to exchange ideas and experiences with people who will actually understand. Our mentors have loads of life experience to share, which may just help clarify things in your own life. [Click here for more information.](#)

★ Life Goals and Skills (Blast) Program

Number of NDIS Hours Required: 16

Just like our flagship mentoring workshop, this two-day 'blast' focuses on connecting deaf and hard of hearing teenagers with inspiring mentors who have loads of stories to share. Over two days, we explore different aspects of living as a deaf teenager, giving you the chance to exchange ideas and experiences with people who just 'get it'. For those living in rural and regional areas, it's a great chance to meet like-minded people in real life, too! [Click here for more information.](#)

★ Primary2Secondary Workshop

Number of NDIS Hours Required: 1.5 (Year 6 Session)

Number of NDIS Hours Required: 3 (Year 7 Session)

The transition between primary and high school can be tough at the best of times – and if you're deaf or hard of hearing, you'll be faced with a whole extra set of challenges. The good news? You're not alone. At Hear For You we all remember how nerve-wracking it is to start high school, and we've designed this program to help make things easier for you. [Click here for more information.](#)

★ Rock My World Workshop

Number of NDIS Hours Required: 4-16

Ever wanted to make your own short film? Or wondered what life's like behind the scenes in TV studios? Well, through Rock My World workshops, you might just get the chance to find out.

These workshops are run as one-off sessions, and each has a specific theme. As well as giving you the chance to try something new, you'll also meet a bunch of other people (both teenagers and mentors) who are into the same stuff as you. Never hurts to have allies, right? [Click here for more information.](#)

When will the NDIS be rolled out in my area?

It depends on where you're living. If you're still waiting for the scheme to reach your area, you can find out more info [here](#).