

# National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) in Victoria – Participant phasing for Outer Eastern Melbourne

Fact sheet on moving to the NDIS in Outer Eastern Melbourne

## The National Disability Insurance Scheme

The National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) is the new way of providing support for Australians living with a disability, their families and carers.

The NDIS is for people with a disability, including a psychosocial disability, who need support to undertake activities of daily living and participate in the community. The NDIS is a national scheme run by the National Disability Insurance Agency (NDIA).

## Outer Eastern Melbourne

People living in Outer Eastern Melbourne are expected to move to the NDIS between November 2017 and July 2018.

The Outer Eastern Melbourne area includes the local government areas of:

- Knox
- Maroondah
- Yarra Ranges

## Moving to the NDIS

The timing of a person's transition to the NDIS is determined by the services they currently receive. For example, if someone currently receives an Individual Support Package in Outer Eastern Melbourne, they are expected to transition between November 2017 and June 2018. The indicative schedule for each service is shown on page 2.

If someone receives multiple services, their transition date will align with the service that 'transitions' first (page 2 provides an example of how the transition date is determined).

People living in Outer Eastern Melbourne are still eligible to join the NDIS any time after July 2018.

## Indicative schedule for Outer Eastern Melbourne

	November 2017	December 2017	January 2018	February 2018	March 2018	April 2018	May 2018	June 2018	July 2018
<b>Services to move to the NDIS</b>									
Disability Support Register waitlist									
Mental Health Community Support Services Needs Register									
Supported Accommodation									
Individual Support Packages & Futures for Young Adults									
Early Childhood Intervention Services									
Student Transport									
Attendant Care in Schools									
Other disability services									
Mental Health Community Support Services									
Home and Community Care Program for Younger People									
Commonwealth Government: Younger People in Residential Aged Care									
Commonwealth Government: Younger People in Home Care									
Commonwealth Government: Other services									
People not currently receiving a service (new clients)									

If a person receives more than one of the above services, they will move across to the NDIS based on the service which is scheduled to move to the NDIS first.

For example, a person receiving services under both an Individual Support Package and the Home and Community Care Program for Younger People is expected to move to the NDIS between November 2017 and June 2018 (as the Individual Support Package is their first 'service' to move to the NDIS).

More details for each service are provided on page 3.



## Details for each service moving to the NDIS

### **Disability Support Register waitlist**

People on the Disability Support Register waitlist with the most urgent need (as assessed by the Department of Health and Human Services) started to move to the NDIS from November 2016.

The rest of the people on the Disability Support Register waitlist are expected to move to the NDIS between November and December 2017.

This excludes anyone who lives in Supported Accommodation. People living in Supported Accommodation will transition to the NDIS when the rest of the residents in their house transition to the NDIS (*see Supported Accommodation section below*).

### **Early Childhood Intervention Services waitlist**

Children on the Early Childhood Intervention Services waitlist are already moving across to the NDIS. Other children on the Early Childhood Intervention Services waitlist in Outer Eastern Melbourne are expected to move across to the NDIS by December 2017.

### **Mental Health Community Support Services Needs Register (waitlist)**

The NDIA will contact people on the Mental Health Community Support Services Needs Register to determine if they are eligible for the NDIS. This is called the NDIS access request process.

People on the Mental Health Community Support Services Needs Register must provide evidence to the NDIS that they meet the disability eligibility requirements. The Mental Health Community Support Services Intake Service will assist people on the Needs Register to collect the evidence they need to provide to the NDIA so that they can make this decision.

Eligible people on the Mental Health Community Support Services Needs Register are expected to move to the NDIS between November and December 2017.

### **Supported Accommodation**

People who live in Supported Accommodation are expected to move to the NDIS between November 2017 and March 2018.

### **Individual Support Packages and Futures for Young Adults**

People who receive an Individual Support Package or Futures for Young Adults package are expected to move to the NDIS between November 2017 and June 2018.


### **Early Childhood Intervention Services**

Children who receive an Early Childhood Intervention Service are expected to move to the NDIS between November 2017 and March 2018.

### **Other disability services**

People who receive other disability services are expected to move to the NDIS between January and July 2018.

*People who receive other disability services and are also on the Disability Support Register waitlist, live in Supported Accommodation or receive an Individual Support Package or Futures for Young Adults Package will move to the NDIS as described in the relevant section above).*



Other disability services include:

- Community and Facility Based Respite
- Flexible Support Packages
- Outreach
- Behaviour Intervention Services
- Case Management
- Recreation
- Therapy
- Independent Living Training.

### **Mental Health Community Support Services**

People who receive an Individualised Client Support Package through the Mental Health Community Support Services program are expected to move to the NDIS between March and July 2018.

*Services provided under community managed mental health programs funded by the Commonwealth Government (such as Partners in Recovery and the Personal Helpers and Mentors Program) are part of the services described in the 'Other Commonwealth Government services' section below.*

### **Home and Community Care Program for Younger People**

People who receive a service under the Home and Community Care Program for Younger People are expected to move to the NDIS between April and July 2018.

People who only receive a service under the Home and Community Care Program for Younger People will need to provide evidence to the NDIS that they meet the disability eligibility requirements.

### **Student Transport and Attendant Care in Schools**

Students who receive Student Transport or Attendant Care in Schools are expected to move to the NDIS between November 2017 and March 2018.

### **Young People in Residential Aged Care and Home Care**

People who live in residential aged care or receive a Commonwealth Home Care service are expected to move to the NDIS between February and March 2018.

### **Other Commonwealth Government services**

People receiving another service funded by the Commonwealth Government will transition to the NDIS between November 2017 and July 2018.

Other Commonwealth Government services include:

- Disability Employment Assistance (Australian Disability Enterprises)
- Remote Hearing and Vision Services for Children
- Outside School Hours Care for Teenagers with Disability
- Younger Onset Dementia Key Worker Program

Other Government services also includes the following, however people receiving only these services will need to provide the NDIA with evidence that they meet the disability eligibility requirements:

- Better Start for Children with a Disability
- National Auslan Interpreter Booking and Payment Service
- Continence Aids Payment Scheme
- Partners in Recovery
- Day to Day Living in the Community
- Personal Helpers and Mentors
- Hearing Services Programme
- Respite Support for Carers of Young People with Severe or Profound Disability
- Helping Children with Autism
- Young Carers Respite and Information Services
- Mental Health Respite: Carer Support
- Work Based Personal Assistance
- Mobility Allowance



### **Multi-Purpose Taxi Program**

People who use the Multi-Purpose Taxi Program will move to the NDIS with any service they receive under the disability, education or Mental Health Community Support Services programs.

People who only receive a service under the Multi-Purpose Taxi Program (and no other services described in this fact sheet) will join the NDIS as new participants and will need to provide the NDIA with evidence that they meet the disability eligibility requirements.

### **People not currently receiving a service**

People not currently receiving a service from the Victorian Government will join the NDIS as new participants. New participants in Outer Eastern Melbourne will join the NDIS between November 2017 and July 2018 and will need to provide the NDIA with evidence that they meet the disability eligibility requirements.





## More Information

### The estimated schedule

To ensure a smooth changeover to the NDIS in Victoria, the transition will take place over a three year period. People will move to the NDIS based on the area they live in.

Within each area, the timing of transition will be determined by the services they currently receive (as shown on page 2). People who don't currently receive a service will join the NDIS at any time after November 2017.

The schedule is informed by two key principles:

- a commitment to ensuring a smooth transition for people with a disability currently receiving supports, with minimal disruption to service; and
- people waiting for supports and with most urgent needs across the state entering the NDIS first.

This schedule is specific to people living in Outer Eastern Melbourne. A unique schedule will be developed for each area.

### Joining the NDIS

NDIS information sessions and other activities for people moving to the NDIS will start approximately six months before an area starts to move to the NDIS.

The NDIS will start contacting people approximately six months before they are due to move to the NDIS. The NDIA will ask questions so that they can determine a person's eligibility.

## Contact details

More information about what the NDIS might mean for you is available online at the [NDIA's](https://www.ndis.gov.au/about-us/our-sites/VIC) website <<https://www.ndis.gov.au/about-us/our-sites/VIC>> or by calling 1800 800 110.

More information about Victoria's move to the NDIS and this schedule is available online at the Victorian Government's [NDIS Victoria](http://www.vic.gov.au/ndis) website <[www.vic.gov.au/ndis](http://www.vic.gov.au/ndis)> or by calling 1800 783 783.

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