



**RIDBC**

Your NDIS provider  
for hearing and vision  
services





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RIDBC works  
across Australia  
to support  
**children and  
adults** of all ages  
who have vision  
or hearing loss.

We provide a broad range of services,  
locations and flexible support options.

No other provider is more suitable  
than RIDBC to provide specialist  
hearing and vision loss support  
services.

Our services are provided in  
convenient locations across Australia,  
in the local community, in the home,  
or through videoconferencing.





## What is the NDIS?



The National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) funds reasonable and necessary support to people with disabilities, their families and carers.

The focus of the NDIS is to give you choice and control over your disability support options and encourages access to mainstream services and community activities.

## Who is eligible?



You could be eligible for the NDIS if you have a significant impairment which prevents you from doing everyday things independently, and you are likely to require ongoing support over your lifetime, or could receive support now to help you reduce your need for support in future.

You must also be under the age of 65 (at time of registration), and either an Australian citizen, permanent resident or protected Special Category Visa holder.

## What does the NDIS fund?

The NDIS funds reasonable and necessary support that helps you or your child reach goals in a range of areas. For example, these goals might include taking part in social and community activities, and looking after health and wellbeing.

### To be considered reasonable and necessary, support must be:

- ✓ related to a disability
- ✓ value for money
- ✓ likely to provide benefit
- ✓ based on evidence

Evidence of disability and functional impact may be provided by a health professional or your existing disability support service provider.

## How do I register?

The NDIS is rolling out in stages across Australia, and will be available everywhere by the end of 2019. If you already receive supports from a State or Territory government disability program, you will receive a letter then a phone call from an NDIS representative when it is time to transition to the NDIS.

Alternatively, you can ask for an access request form to join the NDIS by contacting the NDIA:



**Phone:** 1800 800 110  
8am to 5pm Monday to Friday



**For people with hearing or speech loss:**  
**TTY:** 1800 555 677



**Speak and Listen:** 1800 555 727



# What supports does RIDBC provide within the NDIS?

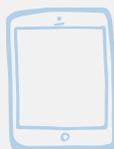
RIDBC is registered as an NDIS service provider in the following categories:



Improved daily living skills



Increased social and community participation



Assistive technology



We build a team of experts around your individual needs, including speech therapists, audiologists, teachers, occupational therapists, orthoptists, psychologists or other specialist consultants as needed.

If English is not your first language we can provide interpreting and translation services. RIDBC also runs programs specifically designed to accommodate Indigenous Australian children, adults and families.

Please contact us to discuss your individual needs and goals and find out how we can best support you.

Find out more about the services and supports we offer by visiting our NDIS Services Website at [ndis.ridbc.org.au](https://ndis.ridbc.org.au)



These supports are provided through services we offer such as:



Assessment and diagnostics



Therapy and re/habilitation services



Cochlear implant services



Early childhood early intervention and early learning programs



Support coordination



# Can RIDBC help me **access** the **NDIS** if I need help?

We can support you to access and navigate the NDIS to ensure you can access the supports and services you need.

Through a series of consultative meetings with you, RIDBC will:



Provide information about our services



Help you think towards needs and supports you might need in the future



Help you document your short and long term goals for yourself, or your child



Assist you to have an initial plan to take to your NDIA planner meeting

Once you have an NDIS funding package allocated to you, we will discuss specific service delivery, the fee structure, and the ongoing review process.



# Contact



For further information about RIDBC and the services under NDIS, contact us:

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 **1300 581 391** or

 **info@ridbc.org.au**

 **ndis.ridbc.org.au**

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General information can be found at  
**ridbc.org.au**

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