



NDIS Support Budgets

The NDIS provides funds under three different budgets, Core, Capacity Building and Capital. Each budget is then broken down into categories. Each category provides funding for specific areas in relation to your goals. The following will outline some ideas for expenses dependent on the funding category. Please remember that NDIS funding is based around the 'reasonable and necessary' criteria in relation to each individual. So, the below is only a base of ideas and generalization, you will have other options available to you specifically.

Please note that some category names appear differently in the myplace portal. For your convenience we have listed them as well.



Core

The core budget funds everyday things you need to live your daily life, that are directly related to your disability. This budget is flexible across categories (excluding category 2 – transport). This means you have the option to use one support category's funds to pay another core support.

Assistance with Daily Living

Displayed in the myplace portal as Daily Activities
Category 1

- Supports that allow you to be as independent as possible at home.
- Activities around the house, for example house cleaning, gardening, meal preparation, showering and dressing.
- Respite care / Short Term Accommodation

Transport Allowance

Displayed in the myplace portal as Transport
Category 2

- Available to participants that cannot use public transport, as a result of their disability.
- Funds a specific amount of suitable transport to access the supports you need within the community.
- This funding has terms dependant on the individual. Speak to your support coordinator or plan manager for further clarification.



Consumables

Displayed in the myplace portal as Consumables

Category 3

- Funds everyday supplies you require due to your disability including common / 'off the shelf' items such as dressing aids, continence products.
- Can be used to purchase, low risk and low-cost assistive technology equipment. Examples include modified cutlery, sensory equipment, walkers, kettle stabilisers, tablet and or smart phone apps.
- In some circumstances this can be used to purchase an Ipad or tablet. Discuss the further with your plan manager or support coordinator for further clarification.
- In some cases, funds cost directly related to an assistance animal. For example, grooming services and jackets.
- Speak to your Occupational Therapist to help determine what you may need.

Assistance with Social & Community Participation

Displayed in the myplace portal as Social, Community and Civic Participation

Category 4

- Funds the support you need to attend or participate within the community, social and recreational activities, for example a support worker.
- This does not cover the cost of the activity itself, for example concert tickets. However, some activities that are directly related to your goals maybe funded through 'Increased Social & Community Participation, category 9.



Capital Supports

Capital Supports fund one-off, larger purchases that support you through your daily life. Including but not limited to assistive technology items such as prosthetics and wheelchairs or home modifications to create a more suitable home given your individual needs.

Assistive Technology

Displayed in the myplace portal as Assistive Technology
Category 5

- Supports specialised technology and equipment.
- Funds things such as prosthetics and orthotics, wheelchairs, vehicle modifications, portable hoists, braille resources.
- Covers the costs for repair of disability related equipment
- An assessment from a therapist and quote from the provider is a necessary requirement.

Home Modifications

Displayed in the myplace portal as Home Modifications
Category 6

- Funds additives or changes to your home that create a more suitable home to increase your independence. For example, ramps and rails.
- In some cases, this may cover the cost of a project manager to implement the home modifications.
- It may also fund Specialist Disability Accommodation costs (SDA registered accommodation).



Capacity Building Supports

This support is designed to support you to build your independence skills, for example therapies.

Support Coordination

Displayed in the myplace portal as Support Coordination
Category 7

- Helps you understand your NDIS plan.
- Provides support before and during your plan reviews to help ensure you get a plan that funds your needs.
- Supports you to reconcile any issues that may arise with service providers.
- Guides you to find providers that match your needs, preferences, personality, values, and lifestyle.
- Supports you from start to finish of our plan.
- Answers any questions and assists you to build your knowledge and confidence surrounding the NDIS.

Improved Living Arrangements

Displayed in the myplace portal as CB Home Living
Category 8

- Assists you to find, secure or keep suitable accommodation.
- Helps you to transition to more independent living circumstances.
- Possibilities include assistance to find a group home, going to inspections, and or support with negotiating contracts.

Increased Social and Community Participation

Displayed in the myplace portal as CB Social Community and Civic Participation



Category 9

- Funds you to participate in skill building community activities.
- May also fund the cost of a mentor to assist you to build your independence.
- Covers the costs of activities such as life skills training (cooking etc).
- Please note, this does not fund the cost of a support person to help you participate in the activity. This cost is covered in Core, 'Assistance with Social and community Participation,' category 4.

Finding and keeping a job

Displayed in the myplace portal as CB Employment
Category 10

- The category funds support that helps you to acquire or build skills to keep a job.
- Funds assistance to develop a resume and support at interviews.

Improved Relationships

Displayed in the myplace portal as CB Relationships
Category 11

- Funds supports such as behavioural therapy, psychology and building social skills.
- Supports you to implement positive life changes to improve your relationships and life.

Improved Health and Wellbeing

Displayed in the myplace portal as CB Health and Wellbeing
Category 12

- Assists you to continue or grow your physical mobility or wellbeing the is directly limited by your disability.
- Funds supports such as personal trainers, dietitians, or exercise physiologists.



Improved Learning

Displayed in the myplace portal as CB Lifelong Learning
Category 13

- Supports to assist you through the transition from school to further education.
- Funds advice, scheduling assistance, help with communicating and applications and or support through the orientation process.

Improved Life Choices

Displayed in the myplace portal as CB Choice and Control
Category 14

- Funds support provided by plan managers including paying providers, providing plan budget reports and greater budget overviews.
- Assists you to develop your organisational and financial plan management skills.

Improved Daily Living

CB Daily Activities
Category 15

- Assists you to develop or increase the basic skills needed to better engage in your day-to-day life.
- Funds therapies such as, early childhood intervention, occupational therapy, speech therapy, physiotherapy etc.
- Funds professional assessments and reports you need during your plan or before your plan review as evidence of your developing needs and goal outcomes.

Still have questions? Give EOSS a call today!



What does a Support Coordinator do?

- Help you understand your NDIS plan.
- Provide support before & during your plan reviews to get the best possible outcome.
- Assist you to achieve your goals.
- Guide you to find providers that match your needs, preferences, personality, values & lifestyle.
- Support you from the start to finish of your NDIS plan.
- Answer any questions and assist to build your knowledge and confidence surrounding the NDIS.



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Deciding how to manage your NDIS plan

	Self Managed	Plan Managed	Agency Managed
Can I use NDIS registered providers?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Can I use non-registered NDIS providers?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Will I receive assistance to help keep track of funds?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Will it cost me anything?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Will billing issues be resolved on my behalf?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Will invoices/payments be paid on my behalf?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Will records for audits be kept on my behalf?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>



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Short Term Accommodation

STA
FORMALLY RESPITE

What is Short Term Accommodation?

Short Term Accommodation is funding for support and accommodation, away from your usual residence. Designed to allow the participant and his/her support network a well deserved break.

This opportunity is usually available when carers are unavailable or to experience new places and activities and develop or increase existing skills.

Short Term Accommodation is limited to 14 consecutive days at a time.

Whats included?

- Support
- Assistance with daily personal activities
- Accessible accommodation
- Food
- Activities and community participation

Do I have STA funding?

STA funding is located in the Core budget, category 2, Assistance with Daily Living.

Are you and your loved one ready for a break?
Contact EOSS today to discuss organising a tailored supported holiday to create lifelong memories with Every Opportunity.



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Will this help you achieve your NDIS goals?

Is it not a day-to-day living expense?

Is your need for this directly related to your disability?

REASONABLE & NECESSARY

Is the NDIS the only option for funding this support?

Is this something your informal supports could assist you with and is reasonable that they do so?

Does this represent value for money?

Still unsure, maybe the answer isn't a clear yes or no. Contact your support Coordinator for further clarification.