



The NDIS

People who can help you and your child



Easy English

Words you might not know



This book has some words you might not know.

The first time we write these words

- the word is **blue**
- we will tell you what the word means.

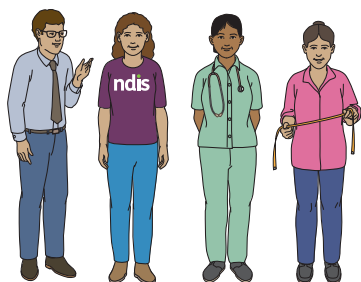
Help with this book



You can ask someone to help you

- read and understand this book
- get more information.

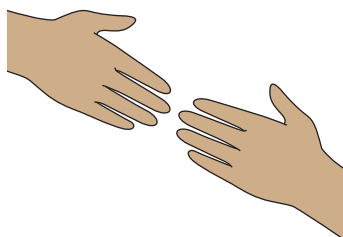
About this book



This book is about people who can help with the **National Disability Insurance Scheme**.



The National Disability Insurance Scheme is called the NDIS.

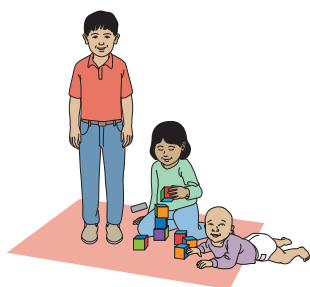


The NDIS is government help for people with disability.

The **National Disability Insurance Agency** runs the NDIS.

The National Disability Insurance Agency is called the NDIA.

How the NDIS helps children



The NDIS can help children with **disability** or **developmental delay**.

Disability and developmental delay mean it is hard for children to do things.

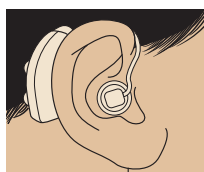
It might be hard for children to



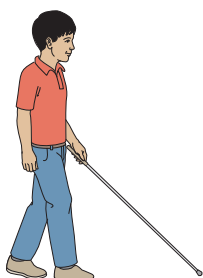
- understand



- move or walk



- hear



- see.



The NDIS helps children get

- care
- **supports**
- **early intervention.**

Supports are things that help your child



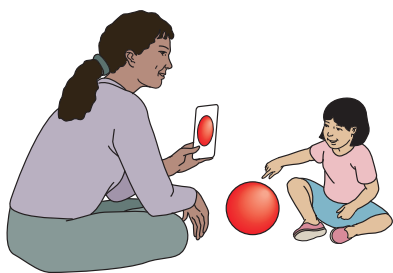
- do things at home



- do things at school

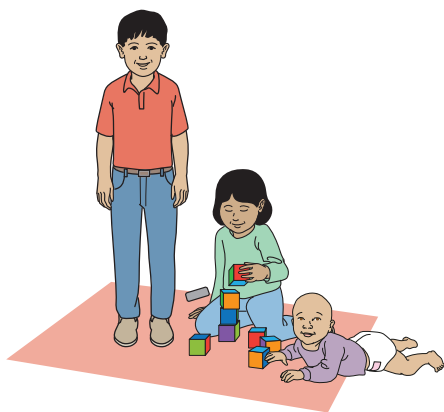


- enjoy life more.



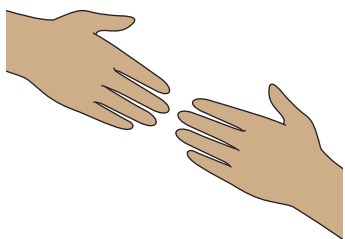
Early intervention means to do something early to make things better later.

Early intervention is also called ECEI.



Early intervention is for children under 7 years old.

People in the NDIS who can help



NDIS staff and partners can help you and your child.

NDIS staff and partners include



- an early childhood partner

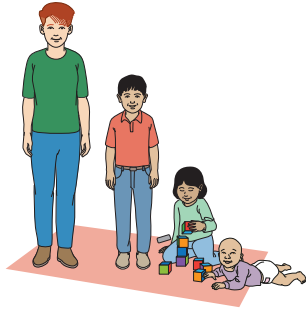


- a local area coordinator



- an NDIA planner.

Early childhood partner



An early childhood partner can help if your child is under 7 years old.

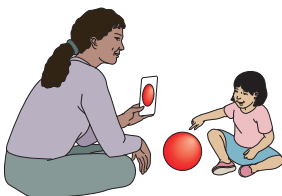
The early childhood partner is a person who knows a lot about



- disability



- developmental delay



- early intervention.



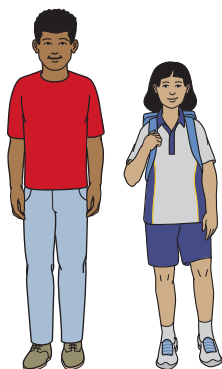
The early childhood partner can help you

- get early intervention for your child
- understand the NDIS
- use the NDIS.



The NDIA will decide if you need an early childhood partner for your child.

Local area coordinator



A local area coordinator can help if your child is over 7 years old.

A local area coordinator is also called a LAC.



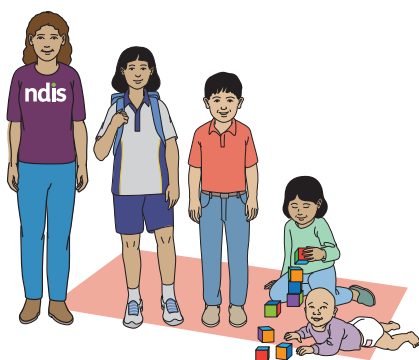
A local area coordinator can help you

- find and use supports
- understand the NDIS
- make an NDIS plan for your child
- use your child's NDIS plan.



The NDIA will decide if you need a local area coordinator for your child.

NDIA planner



An NDIA planner might help if your child is over 7 years old.

NDIA planners sometimes help with younger children who need extra support.



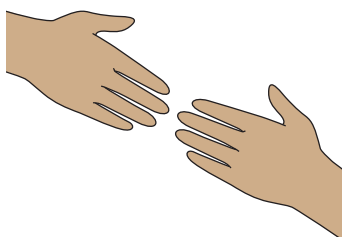
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People in the community who can help



There are people in your community who can help you and your child with the NDIS.

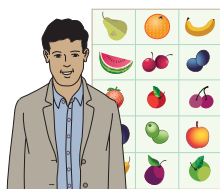
These people include



- your doctor



- your nurse



- your child's teacher.

Doctor

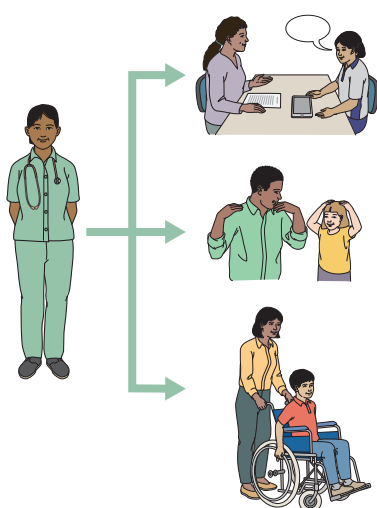


Your doctor knows

- how your child is growing
- how healthy your child is.



If you say **yes** your doctor can tell NDIS people about your child's needs.



Your doctor can help you find good supports for your child.

Nurse

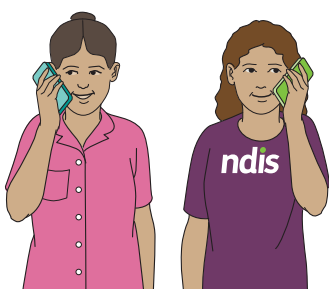


Your nurse helps you look after your child.

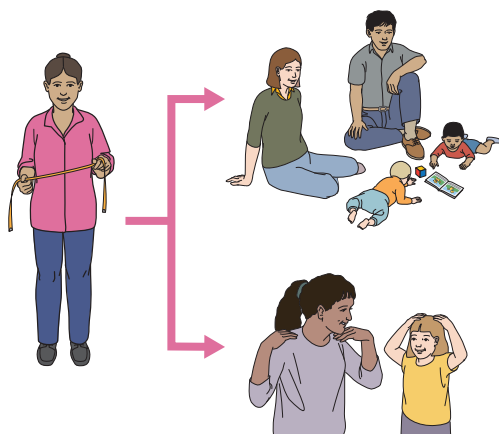
The nurse knows how your child is



- growing
- eating
- sleeping.

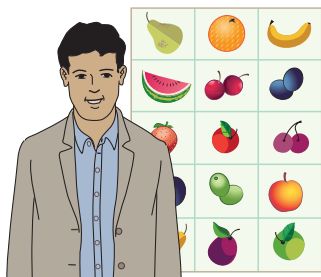


If you say **yes** your nurse can tell NDIS people about your child's needs.

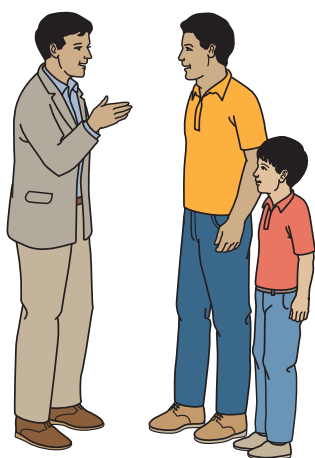


Your nurse can help you find good supports for your child.

Teachers

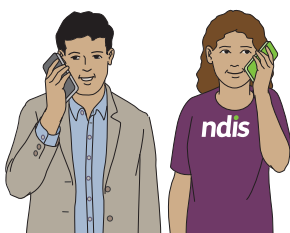


Teachers from preschool or school can help you.

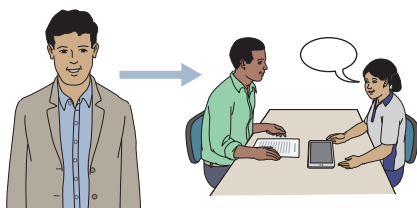


Your child's teacher knows how your child

- learns
- behaves
- plays with other children.



If you say **yes** the teacher can tell NDIS people about your child's needs.



The teacher can help you find good supports for your child.

Other people who can help you



You can get help from family, friends or an advocate.



An advocate helps you say what you want for your child.

You can ask someone to help you find an advocate.



Family, friends and advocates can help you

- find information
- make decisions.

Family, friends and advocates can also



- go to meetings with you



- help you write letters or emails.

More information



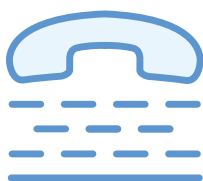
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