

## Using your plan

There are some kinds of supports that will not be funded or provided by the NDIS. The NDIS Act and the rules made under the NDIS Act guide us on which supports will or will not be funded by the NDIS.

The NDIS cannot fund a support that is:

- The responsibility of another government system or community service, for example Medicare;
- Not related to a person's disability;
- a day-to-day living cost that is not related to a participant's support needs. For example, groceries, household bills, things that are not related to your disability; and
- is likely to cause harm to the participant or pose a risk to others.

## What can you spend your funding on?

Consider the following things when deciding what to buy with your NDIS funding: You must answer "Yes" to all questions.

Question	Yes/No
1. Will the support or service help you to achieve the goals in your NDIS plan?	
2. Is the cost of the support or service reasonably priced and is it best value for money compared to other supports?	
3. Can you afford the support or service within your approved NDIS budget? Remember, your funding needs to last the entire period of your plan.	
4. Will the support or service help you to improve how you connect to your local community and improve the relationships you have with family and friends? It should not replace supports that would usually be provided by family, friends and within your community.	
5. Is the support or service unable to be funded by other government services? For example, dental, health or hospital services, education, housing and public transport are all provided through other government services. Remember, all communities should have facilities and activities that are inclusive and accessible to people with disability.	
6. Will the support or service help you to participate in activities with friends and other members of your community, or help you to find or keep a job?	
7. Is it safe? Your supports and services should not cause you any harm or put other people at risk.	
8. Is the support related to your disability and not a day-to-day living cost, for example, groceries, household bills, supports that are not related to your disability? <b>Generally, if it's an item that anyone in the community would need it may not be covered.</b>	

Please Note: In some cases, we may ask you to ask your Local Area Coordinator or Planner to give final approval of an invoice. The NDIS legislation is constantly changing and what may be acceptable for one participant may not for another.