

Using the NDIS to pay for Residential Aged Care



FACTSHEET

While the NDIS continues to be rolled out across Australia until 2020 young people living in aged care may find themselves as “dual participants” – living in aged care and able to access NDIS funding.

NDIS funding can be used to pay towards some (not all) of the costs of aged care accommodation and care. NDIS funding can also be used to access services in addition to the aged care services, where the aged care provider is also an approved NDIS provider these services may be delivered by the aged care provider.

To be eligible to receive NDIS funding the person will need to be assessed by the National Disability Insurance Agency (NDIA). The person will need to:

- Have a permanent disability that significantly affects their ability to take part in everyday activities;
- Be less than 65 years old when they apply for the NDIS;
- Live in Australia in an NDIS area;
- Be an Australian citizen or hold a permanent visa or a Protected Special Category visa.

During the assessment they will need to provide evidence of their disability together with a copy of their:

- Accommodation Agreement
- Residential Care Agreement
- DHS Aged Care Fees advice letter
- Statement of Aged Care Fees and Charges from their provider

Once they are eligible for NDIS funding an NDIS representative will discuss their goals and develop a plan outlining the services that will be funded.

As the NDIS is rolled out, young people living in aged care (or their representative) will be contacted by the NDIS to discuss their eligibility and access to services. People can contact the NDIS access request up to 6 months prior to the NDIS roll out in their region.

A young person entering aged care is still required to undergo an ACAT assessment.



Aged Care Cost	Eligibility for NDIS assistance
Basic Daily Fee	No
Refundable Accommodation Contribution/Deposit RAC or RAD	No
Daily Accommodation Contribution/Payment DAC or DAP	Yes*
Accommodation Bond	No
Accommodation Charge	Yes
Extra Service Fee	No
Additional Service Fee	No
Means Tested Care Fee	Yes
Income Tested Fee	Yes

*NDIS assistance with the Daily Accommodation Payment is capped at the maximum accommodation supplement the provider is eligible to receive.

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