

# Mental Health NDIS Access Support

## A new way to get help accessing NDIS services

The National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) is a new way of providing support to people with a disability, including people with severe mental illness. NDIS support can help with doing everyday activities and connecting with community.

*The Mental Health Community Support Services (MHCSS) Intake Service* are assisting people with a mental illness to access the NDIS. We work collaboratively with other services to help people to understand, engage in and complete the NDIS access process.

### What can the service do?

- Assist you to gather supporting evidence and complete the Access Request form
- Liaise with health services and general practitioners/private psychiatrists
- Act as a contact person for NDIS queries, at your request
- Collect and collate additional evidence, if required by the NDIS, to ensure timely completion of the access process
- Follow-up with the NDIS on the status of the application
- Assist you to understand and seek a review of the NDIS decision or appeal the decision (if required)

### Who is this service for?

You may be eligible for this service if you:

- Have a mental illness
- Have severe difficulty with day to day tasks
- Need help to apply for access to NDIS for support

Referrals must meet some eligibility criteria to be accepted and people must not be clients of the clinical mental health service system (Area Mental Health Services).

The service has limited availability and will prioritise referrals based on target population groups.

### Accessing the service

Contact the MHCSS Intake service providers (also known as the NDIS Access Project) in your area to access this support.

#### EACH

☎ 1300 003 224

NDISAccess@each.com.au

LGA's: Boroondara, Manningham, Monash, Whitehorse, Knox, Maroondah, Shire of Yarra Ranges, Greater Dandenong, Cardinia, Casey, Banyule, Darebin, Whittlesea and Nillumbik.



#### Neami National

☎ 1300 379 462

intake@neaminational.org.au

LGA's: Bayside, Glen Eira, Kingston, Port Phillip, Stonnington, Frankston, Mornington Peninsula, Melbourne, Moonee Valley, Moreland, Yarra, Brimbank, Hume, Maribyrnong, Hobsons Bay, Wyndham and Melton.



#### ACSO

☎ 1300 022 760

NDISAccess@acso.org.au

All local government authorities in regional and rural areas across Victoria.



### Free access to an Interpreter

Call VITS on (03) 9280 1941 and ask them to call us 1300 379 462.



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