



WHAT IS QDN'S NDIS PEER TO PEER ADVOCACY PROJECT?

NDIS Peer to Peer Advocacy is a 12 month project that runs from 1 July 2018 – 30 June 2019, supporting people with disability around the NDIS, including access, pre-planning and planning. Queenslanders with Disability Network (QDN) has been funded by the Department of Communities, Disability Services and Seniors to work with people with disability (and their supporters) who live in the roll out areas for the final year of transition to the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS). QDN will provide independent support with:

- Making an access request to the NDIS
- Knowing what paperwork is needed for the access request including information from General Practitioners or allied health professional
- Getting ready for the NDIS planning meeting
- Having a peer advocate support them at their NDIS planning meeting.

QDN's NDIS Peer to Peer Advocacy project will work with people with disability who may not have access to the support they need from other services or informal supports to move through the steps of the NDIS journey.

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About Queenslanders with Disability Network

Queenslanders with Disability Network (QDN) is an organisation of, by and for people with disability. QDN is not a service provider and is not a government department. QDN has over 1500 members and supporters across the state to have a say around the important issues that impact on their lives. QDN's statewide member network provides feedback to inform big picture policy work with Government and peak bodies to give people with disability a voice. QDN also delivers specifically funded projects, supporting people with disability as leaders of change in their own lives, in their communities and at system level. Over the past 4 years, QDN has worked with over 10,000 Queenslanders with disability and their supporters to get ready for the NDIS. NDIS Peer to Peer Advocacy will build upon all this work and give people with disability access to independent support and information.



What support will people get from QDN?

People with disability will be able to get independent support through phone or face to face, and will include 1:1 support or in a small group session depending on need. People will get peer support from peer advocates who are people with lived experience of disability and the NDIS. This will include information, tips, resources and practical support at key stages of their NDIS journey.

People may ask for support for just one part of their NDIS journey, or need support at all stages. People will be matched to someone in the project team, including peer advocates to assist them with the information or support they need.

QDN will prioritise people currently not connected to a range of services, social and formal networks to assist them in their NDIS process. QDN will also link people into the NDIS Partners in the Community such as Local Area Coordinators (LACs), Early Childhood Early Intervention (ECEI), the National Disability Insurance Agency (NDIA) or government departments who are best placed to provide more specific information or assistance.

Who can get support through the NDIS Peer to Peer Advocacy project?

People with disability who are living in the areas where the NDIS is rolling out from 1 July 2018 through to 30 June 2019 can get independent support through this project. This includes areas in the South East corner of Queensland including Brisbane, Gold Coast, Logan and Redlands, Moreton Bay, Fraser Coast and Sunshine Coast Local Government Areas (LGAs).

QDN can also work with people who may be eligible in other areas where the NDIS has rolled out and are still yet to access the scheme via phone or skype to provide information and support. The project aims to support people with disability without funded disability services or where people may not have social supports in their life to complete the NDIS access pathway and participate actively in their NDIS planning meeting. The project may also support people who currently get a disability service who need assistance.



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