



Service Description

South Metro

Name of Organisation:

Autism Association of Western Australia

Website (link):

www.autism.org.au

Areas Covered:

- Mandurah and Rockingham

Support Clusters:

1. **Accommodation** is where you live and includes daily support needs.
2. **Daily living** support will help you to live on your own and be part of the community. It can also help you **learn** skills in personal care, communication, shopping, cooking and cleaning. This support can be used to get help with transport and teach family and carers how to support you.
4. **Wellbeing** support will help you to find a job or do community activities.
5. **Having a break** can help you to do things you enjoy and have a good relationship with your family and friends. You can get help to give your carer a break, go to activities or go to respite care in your own home or somewhere else.
6. **Support Planning** will help you if things in your life change. Support can be used when something happens that you did not know would happen, when there are many things to manage that you need help with and to plan during these times. Support can also be used by your main service provider to manage 3 or more of your services.
7. **Behaviour support and specialist care**
 - 7a. Behaviour Support.
8. **Therapy and Specific Support** will help you do more for yourself and be included in the community.

For the above cluster(s), - is able to offer

- Services to individuals with psycho-social disability(only if they have an Autism diagnosis)
- Shared Management

Autism Association of Western Australia's service description:

The Autism Association of Western Australia is one of Australia's largest specialist services providing specialist support to children and adults with Autism and related disabilities to maximise their skills and opportunities to participate in all aspects of everyday life.

We support the person and/or their family to make informed choices and to direct their services in a manner that suits their needs and aspirations. Our approach is to design support for each individual tailored to their needs and preferences.

We have a large multi-disciplinary team including support staff; speech pathologists; occupational therapists; psychologists; and educational staff.

We provide a wide range of assistance including the following:

- Early intervention and therapy services (multi-disciplinary) for young children
- School support and therapy services for children and adolescents
- Behaviour Support (all ages)
- Participating in the community (children or adults), including volunteering, recreation and skills building
- School transition support
- Skills development training and social skills groups for children and adults
- Communication Assessment and individual communication program (including Augmentative Communication)
- Flexible family support tailored to each family's needs including in-home and out-of-home support; short breaks; and holiday breaks
- Support with daily activities including self-care, social skills, tenancy, budgeting and problem solving
- Independent Living support, fully supported Shared and Individual Living
- Employment support including job search, pre-vocational, on-the-job-training and ongoing support.
- Coordination of supports
- Shared Management Services and/or assistance with managing funding or support, and helping people with paying support workers and other expenses.

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