



# WA National Disability Insurance Scheme

## Am I Eligible?

Since 1 July 2014, Western Australia has participated in a trial of the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS).

The State Government's WA NDIS is currently operating in two areas and will expand from 1 October 2016:

- Lower South West (includes Busselton, the Shires of Augusta-Margaret River, Boyup Brook, Bridgetown-Greenbushes, Donnybrook-Balingup, Manjimup, Nannup) began 1 July 2014
- Cockburn and Kwinana began 1 July 2015
- Armadale, Murray and Serpentine-Jarrahdale will commence 1 October 2016

To participate in WA NDIS, people with disability need to meet certain eligibility requirements. These are based on age, residence, disability and early intervention needs.

### Age requirements

You need to be aged less than 65 years at the time of the eligibility request.

### Residence requirements

To be eligible for WA NDIS you need to be

- an Australian citizen or the holder of a permanent visa or a protected Special Category Visa (subclass 444), and
- permanently residing in either:
  - Lower South West from 1 July 2014 or
  - Cockburn or Kwinana from 1 July 2015 or
  - Armadale, Murray or Serpentine-Jarrahdale from 1 October 2016.

## Disability requirements

You meet the disability requirements if you have a disability which:

- is attributable to an intellectual, cognitive, neurological, sensory or physical impairment or to one or more impairments attributable to a psychiatric condition; and
- the impairment or impairments are, or are likely to be, permanent; and
- you are likely to require support for your lifetime.

## Early intervention requirements

You meet the early intervention requirements if you:

- have one or more identified intellectual, cognitive, neurological, sensory or physical impairments that are, or are likely to be, permanent; or
- have one or more identified impairments that are attributable to a psychiatric condition and are, or are likely to be, permanent; or
- are a child who has developmental delay.

These are the basic eligibility requirements only. For further information, please go to [www.disability.wa.gov.au](http://www.disability.wa.gov.au) > WA NDIS > Eligibility. You can also complete the Am I Eligible? checker to get an idea of your potential eligibility.

## Do you live outside the NDIS trial sites?

If you live outside the trial sites, disability services will continue to be provided by the State Government's Local Coordination programs.

[Please visit www.disability.wa.gov.au](http://www.disability.wa.gov.au) for more information.

## Do you live in the Perth Hills and surrounding areas?

Since 1 July 2014 the Commonwealth Government has operated a separate NDIS trial in the Perth Hills area. From 1 Jan 2017 they will expand into Bayswater, Bassendean, Chittering, Toodyay, Northam and York. For more information please visit [www.ndis.gov.au](http://www.ndis.gov.au) or call 1800 800 110.

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## Further information

- **Visit:** [www.disability.wa.gov.au](http://www.disability.wa.gov.au)
  - **Email:** [WANDIS@dsc.wa.gov.au](mailto:WANDIS@dsc.wa.gov.au)
  - **Call:** 1800 996 214
  - **TTY:** 9426 9315
  - **Am I Eligible?:** This online tool allows people to test their potential eligibility for WA NDIS. Go to [www.disability.wa.gov.au](http://www.disability.wa.gov.au) > WA NDIS and click on **Am I Eligible?** It also provides contact details for State Government disability services throughout WA.
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## Lower South West



## Cockburn-Kwinana



