

A strong voice for disability service providers



What does NDS do?

NDS represents you, the disability sector across Australia in your work to deliver high-quality services for people with disability. As your peak body of more than 1000 member organisations we unify our collective strength and fight for a more inclusive future for people with disability. We support you through Advocacy and Influence, Timely and Accurate Information, the opportunity to Learn, Innovate and Collaborate and Business Supports and Services.



Are you getting the most from your NDS membership?

Contact the membership team today to discuss how to get the best value from your membership. We can do a full health check to find areas that you can receive free assistance and discounted products. Being a member of NDS can mean saving money on every day expenditures and can mean accessing information and advice from experts in the sector.

What do I get from my NDS membership?

1. Advocacy and Influence

As members, you inform our work every step of the way. We have strong relationships with governments, their departments and the sector and are developing new ways to expand our policy influence.

- Be part of our fight for prices that reflect realistic costs of service delivery and innovation.
- Join us in building and supporting a disability workforce and help us ensure sustainable employment for people with disability.
- Help us gather data so we can facilitate analysis via our Centre for Applied Disability Research.
- Contact your local NDS office and contribute to the co-design of policy and contemporary practice.

2. Timely and Accurate Information

We understand that the pace and complexity of challenges you're facing means having access to timely information is critical. We are dedicated to providing insights and being your source of reliable information and analysis.

- Ask a question via our NDS Helpdesk – your go-to online destination to ask questions about the NDIS and disability employment.
- Tune into a member-only webinar, podcast or come along to an event, tackling complex and relevant topics.
- Are you receiving our news updates to your email? We cut through the jargon and noise to provide timely analysis and news updates.

3. Learn, Innovate and Collaborate

Access a community of diverse disability service providers. Together, we can collaborate, innovate and open doors to new opportunities.

- Register for national, state and regional workshops, conferences and events that inspire, amaze and inform.
- Tap into NDS Learn and Develop, our e-learning platform, to support capability building, ongoing training and professional development.
- Find new staff through carecareers, our jobs portal. Support staff through National Disability Practitioners, our association within NDS supporting workers at the frontline of support.

4. Business Supports and Services

We are committed to lowering the cost of doing business so you can free up financial resources for what matters most – delivering the best possible service for people with disability.

- We respond to your needs! Access free practical services such as a legal helpline and electricity/gas audits.
- Save money on a range of discounted products and services such as the NDS Quality Portal, car rental and office products.