National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS)

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The NDIS is the new way of delivering disability support

- Supports tailored to individual needs
- Insurance approach for sustainable costs
- Choice and control is central
- Needs driven
- Delivered in local communities
- National coverage
Disability requirements

To access assistance from the Scheme a person must:

- Have permanent disability

- The disability has significant impact on everyday life and on the person’s ability to participate in the community

- The person will need ongoing supports
Early intervention objectives

Investment in early intervention is a key feature of the scheme. Access to early intervention assistance from the scheme will aim to:

- Increase functional capacity
- Reduce the impact of disability
- Help maintain independence
- Increase opportunity for social, economic and community participation
- Utilise evidence based interventions
- Early intervention is particularly focused on children
The NDIS journey

- Eligibility
- Preparing for planning
- Plan development
- Plan implementation
- Plan review
Some Challenges

• Participant/Family Capacity

• Sector Readiness

• Communication
What Did We Do?

- Consent for Contact Form - Referral for early childhood intervention support
- Pre-Planning Information sessions
- Improved support for plan implementation through better monitoring of plans
- Developed an Engagement and Funding Team to work with the sector
- Specialist Directorates
- Improved communication pathways

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Strategic Planning Activities

• **Shared Support Plan** – a shared initiative with the Department of Education and Training

• **Working Vulnerable Families Project** – a shared initiative with Early Childhood Intervention Australia

• Care opportunities for children with severe disabilities and complex care needs
Case Studies from Barwon Trial Site
Thankyou

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