

NDIS - Your Rights To Plan Management: How To Ask For A Plan Manager



So your NDIS has been approved and you're feeling a bit overwhelmed. Plan managers can take care of the paperwork and get you more choice when it comes to services, closer to home. As an NDIS participant, you're entitled to funding for a plan manager to help make your life easier. The trick is knowing when and how to ask for one.

Your rights and entitlements

Self-managing your plan provides a lot more flexibility than NDIA management but it's also a lot of work. How confident do you feel finding the providers that you need? Do you have the time in your daily schedule to do paperwork? Are you good at doing your accounting and can you afford to pay for services upfront? Plan management is the perfect alternative for people with disability, parents and carers who want to spend less time on admin, and more time living life comfortably or achieving goals. Plan management is like any other service that you get with NDIS funding, but it comes under the category of "Improved Life Choices". As an NDIS participant, you have the right to this funding.

Requesting plan management

If you want a plan manager, you need to get funding allocated on your plan. You can do this at your very first meeting with your planner or LAC, but you can also do it at a later date. It's never too late to ask! If you've already got your plan, you can either wait for a review, or call up your planner to request a review of your plan. Now's the time to request funding for "**Improved Life Choices**".

No Need

Unlike any other funding you request for services, you don't have to demonstrate your need for a plan manager. Perhaps your time is full with daily necessities, and there is simply not a minute to spare searching for providers. Perhaps you struggle to find NDIS registered providers close to home or wish to continue using a trusted provider that is not registered. Many people don't have the confidence to handle the paperwork involved in managing their own funds. Any or all of these things are good reasons to ask for plan management.

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