



Linkage Policy

PURPOSE AND SCOPE

- People with disability have the same right as other members of Australian society to realise their full potential.
- They should be supported to participate in and contribute to social and economic life.
- Inclusion of, and access for, people with disability to mainstream and community-based activities and other government initiatives (National Disability Strategy 2010-2020).

POLICY

Easy iCare Pty Ltd will access links between other service systems (for example, education), which will improve and support the varying needs of people with disability, their families and support workers.

Easy iCare Pty Ltd's commitment is to make sure people with disability are connected into their communities by:

- Providing information on mainstream services and community activities which will benefit people with disability, as well as their families and support workers.
- Contributing to Linkage and networks within the community
- Providing participation and inclusion of people with disability, by working in partnership with community organisations.
- Supporting support workers to build the capacity of support workers and families to help sustain their caring role, by linking them into direct carer support services.

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- Linking support workers and families to social and recreational activities that provide support workers with a break from their caring role and connect them with the community.
- Sourcing activities that promote carer's well-being such as personal development, peer support and mentoring.

PROCEDURE

The outcome for people with disability will maintain their ability to:

- Be connected and have the information they need to make decisions and choices.
- Have the skills and confidence to participate and contribute to the community, and protect their rights.
- Use and benefit from the same mainstream services as everyone else.
- Participate in and benefit from the same community activities as everyone else.
- Actively contribute to leading, shaping and influencing their community.

RELATED DOCUMENTS

- Participant Information Exchange Consent Form
- Agency Referral Form

REFERENCES

- NDIS Practice Standards and Quality Indicators 2018
- Framework for Information Linkages and Capacity Building

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