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NDIS: WORKING WITH LIVERPOOL WEST PUBLIC SCHOOL

In schools, a child's educational goals are developed within the school setting through a PLP (Personal Learning Plan). Allied health and therapy planning should be consistent and directly related to the outcomes established in the student's learning program.

When working with the parents' choice of provider Liverpool West Public School staff will:

- Continue to provide reasonable adjustment for students with disability
- Work in consultation with families, carers, therapists and other specialists in decisionmaking
- Support a routine-based approach where learning is embedded in the child's routine and PLP

At Liverpool West Public School, the principal is ultimately responsible for school operational matters, including decisions to grant school access to an NDIS funded provider. A principal's decision to grant school access will be made in consultation with families, the schools' learning and support team and/or other school staff.

NDIS will fund allied health and other therapy supports that relate to a participant's disability and are for increasing functional capacity. Supports delivered in schools can include speech therapy, physiotherapy, Occupational Therapy (OT) and psychological support for emotional or behavioural disorders. Provision in schools must be part of an adjustment that contributes to student learning.

NDIS funded services at Liverpool West Public School should contribute to and be integrated with student learning and its delivery, should not interfere with individual and broader teaching and student learning programs. Functional therapy and allied health provision during school hours should contribute to identified and agreed student educational outcomes.

HOW TO BEGIN THE PROCESS

After the NDIS plan has been completed parents/carers should make initial approaches to the school Principal in writing if they wish for their child to receive NDIS funded services at school. The following documents can be downloaded from the school website:

<https://liverpoolw-p.schools.nsw.gov.au>

- *Information for parents and carers requesting the delivery of a NDIS funded service*
- *Externally funded service providers delivering health, disability and wellbeing services to students. Requesting access to students and agreements with schools*
- *Fact Sheet for Schools 3. Frequently Asked Questions about the NDIS Issue 1 – October 2016*

Once the *Requesting Access to Students and Agreements with Schools* form is completed it will be passed onto to the school principal via the Assistant Principal of the support classes or stage supervisor. Schools, parents/carers, providers need to agree on and set clear guidelines and outcomes for services.

Liverpool West Public School will enter into a written agreement with each provider setting out general provisions within the school.