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## [Why an AAT ruling could shake-up NDIS funding](#)

National Disability Insurance Scheme participants could soon get funding for a broader range of health-related supports following a major Administrative Appeals Tribunal decision. The AAT has ruled the National Disability Insurance Agency was wrong to deny vital swallowing support funding to a 34-year-old man who has dysphagia as a result of cerebral palsy. The NDIA has consistently argued it will not fund supports that would be more appropriately funded by another government service such as the health department – even if no other service actually offers the support.

But AAT deputy president Brian Rayment indicated any support the NDIA refuses to fund needs to be made available by another government service provider.

Dr Meg Clement-Couzner, a senior policy officer at People with Disability Australia, told Pro Bono News she was pleasantly surprised by the decision, which showed the NDIA needed to change its approach to funding vital supports. She added this ruling could set a precedent for people seeking other health-related supports through their NDIS plans.

Read the full ProBono Australia article [here](#).

## **Disability News**

### **NDIS Service Providers Scaling Down in NSW & ACT**

"[Recently], disability service provider Australian Unity (*the organisation that took over the NSW Government's Home Care NSW*) announced it would "scale down" its National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) services over the next 12 months in all locations except metropolitan Sydney. It is expected 2,000 of Australian Unity's 3,000 NDIS clients in regional NSW and Victoria will have to find new providers.

Meanwhile, The Benevolent Society (TBS) (*the organisation that took over the NSW State Governments Disability Community Teams & Clinicians*) has told its clients it will merge a number of physical offices to create larger hubs and will focus on allied health services and behaviour support."

Read the full Disability Support Guide article [here](#).

[Previously other NSW major Disability Service Providers Anglicare Disability Service and Wesley Disability Service transferred their services to other providers and withdrew from accommodation services. Are the problems with the financial viability and problems with SIL Tools under the NDIS having the unintended consequence of driving service providers out of the market. Other reports indicate a **28% of service providers made a loss or deficit** under the NDIS, **1 in 10 disability service providers have discussed closing**, majority of service provider and nearly half the Registered NDIS Service providers are NOT active in providing services to NDIS clients and **more than half (54%) of Australian disability providers say they will have to reduce the quality of services under the current pricing model, more than half see the operating conditions in the disability sector as worsening: 80 per cent say that the disability policy environment is uncertain.**" ( [State](#)

[of the Disability Sector Report 2018](#)). Check out the full article [here](#). Check out the campaign web site <https://deliverthepromise.org.au/> ]

## Featured Conferences

**10 - 12 July 2019**

**Occupational Therapy Australia 28th National Conference & Expo. Sydney Convention Centre. OTA. [Info](#)**

**6 - 9 August 2019**

**World Congress of the International Association for the Scientific Study of Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities. Glasgow, Scotland. IASSIDD. [Info](#).**

**20 - 21 August 2019**

**National Disability Summit. Novotel Melbourne on Collins. Informa. [Info](#)**

**20 - 21 August 2019**

**13th International Convention on Rehabilitation Engineering and Assistive Technology (i-Create 2019). Canberra. [Info](#)**

**27 - 28 August 2019**

**ATSA Independent Living Expo. Canberra. Assistive Technology Suppliers Australia. [Info](#)**

## Disability News

### **NDIS - COAG Disability Reform Council Quarterly reports Jan - March 2019**

Access [here](#).

[General issues around the implementation and performance of the NDIS: progress report 2019](#)

This is the third quarterly progress 2018-19 report of the Parliament of Australia Joint Standing Committee on the National Disability Insurance Scheme, committee, continuing the task of reviewing the implementation, performance, governance, administration and expenditure of the NDIS. This report covers events from 1 January 2019 to 31 March 2019. Access the full report from the NDIS web site [here](#).

#### **Some key points as of 31 March 2019:**

- 122 delivery sites, and a workforce of 10,000
- 277,155 people with disability have joined the scheme,
- 85,489 receiving supports for the first time
- 5.5% Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander participants (14,303)
- 8.2% Culturally and linguistically diverse participants (21,202)
- 1.2% Remote or very remote participants (3,148)
- 88% participant satisfaction
- 70% of Plans activated within 30 days, 90% in 90 days
- 20,208 providers registered only 57% (11,418) active
- **8,689 (43%) registered providers not active not providing service [why?]**
- pricing review still in progress
- price increases for therapy & psychology services between 6% to 17% increase
- price increase for attendant care between 5.6% to 15.4% depending on location, times and days of shifts

#### **Participants by disability:**

- 29% autism
- 26% intellectual disability
- 8% psychosocial disability

- 5% cerebral palsy
- 5% Other neurological
- 26% other

#### Participants by age group:

- 14% aged 0-6
- 25% aged 7-14
- 8% 15-18
- 9% aged 19-24
- 10% aged 25-34
- 9% aged 35-44
- 12% aged 45-54
- 13% aged 55-64
- 2% aged 65+

## Disability News

### [Carers sidelined by Home Care Package program](#)

The role and needs of family carers are being pushed to the side as an unintended consequence of the Home Care Package program, according to a researcher who has developed a carer framework for providers. Read the full Community Care Review article [here](#).

### [Legislative basis for carer recognition](#)

Cathy Duncan, a researcher of the University of Wollongong, says the carers framework would realign the home care packages program with the [Commonwealth Carer Recognition Act](#) which says carers should be considered in partnership with service providers and stipulates the relationship between carers and the person they care for should be recognised and respected. This had been acknowledged under the old HACC and now CHSP system but has not carried through into the HCP program, she says.

## NDIS Issues In The Media

### [Victoria secures NDIS funding certainty](#)

Victoria has settled a bitter feud with the Commonwealth over National Disability Insurance Scheme funding after signing a long-term agreement with the federal government. This deal follows a stoush between the Victorian Labor government and the Commonwealth government over a \$1.6 billion NDIS underspend in the federal budget. During the dispute, the state government said Victoria would not sign up to an NDIS funding agreement with the Commonwealth if the federal government would not "pay their fair share". Under the agreement signed this week, Victoria will contribute around \$2.5 billion a year to the NDIS until at least mid-2023. The rest of the scheme's costs will be covered by the Commonwealth, with the state to be provided \$2.4 billion from a special fund that reimburses governments for NDIS expenditure. Read the full ProBono Australia article [here](#).

### [\\$700 million dollars guaranteed to Victorians with disabilities following NDIS agreement](#)

The State Labor government says a deal signed by Premier Daniel Andrews and Prime Minister Scott Morrison finally settles a long-running dispute and will allow the NDIS to start making a difference in the lives of Victorians with disabilities. The deal also resolves the row between Melbourne and Canberra over Victoria's share of the bitterly contested \$1.6 billion "under-spend" on the NDIS. Read the full The Age article [here](#).

### [Here's what needs to happen to get the NDIS back on track](#)

Helen Dickinson, professor of public service research at the University of New South Wales, plots the road ahead for the new minister for the NDIS, in this article which first appeared in The Conversation. Read the full ProBono Australia article [here](#).

### [Morrison vows to prioritise NDIS following election win](#)

Newly re-elected Prime Minister Scott Morrison says fixing problems in the National Disability Insurance Scheme will be an immediate priority for the federal government, as the social sector reacts to the Coalition's stunning election victory. Read the full ProBono Australia article [here](#).

### [Peak bodies turn to ensuring re-elected Government fulfils NDIS promise.](#)

Peak disability bodies are urging the re-elected Liberal Government to turn its attention to fulfilling its National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) promises following its shock victory. In the lead up to the polls, Prime Minister Scott Morrison released his plans to support people with disability, including ensuring the NDIS is fully-funded, an increased employment target, additional employment support, assistance for rural, remote, culturally and linguistically diverse and ageing communities, reduced red tape and the introduction of a NDIS Participant Service Guarantee. Acting Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of National Disability Services (NDS) David Moody says the peak body welcomes the Prime Minister's recent comments highlighting issues with the NDIS as one of the Government's priorities. Read the full Talking Disability article [here](#).

### [NDIA Why The Staffing Cap Still Matters Post-Election](#)

Could it be possible that reversing one small policy decision could have the power to radically transform the performance of the NDIS? Sara explores why removing the staffing cap is the practical solution that we can no longer ignore. Read the full Disability Services Consulting article [here](#).

## Other Issues In The Media

### [Solar batteries to light up disability housing](#)

People living in specialist disability housing could save upwards of a \$1,000 on their electricity bill with a plan underway to install solar and battery storage into a new disability housing development. Read the full Pro Bono Australia article [here](#).

### [Caroma launches new bathroom solutions for older people](#) (and suitable for disability)

An innovative range of evidence-based bathroom solutions has been launched to meet the changing needs of ageing Australians. Read the full article and see links [here](#).

### [NDIS minister gets cabinet position, aged care misses out](#)

Prime Minister Scott Morrison has put the NDIS at the top of his list for improving government services as he announced a new minister to oversee the fraud-plagued disability scheme. Read the full Community Care Review article [here](#).

### [World Leaders and NGOs Commit to Tackle Disability Discrimination](#)

World leaders and NGOs have made 170 "ambitious commitments" to address stigma and discrimination against people with disabilities at a Global Disability Summit in London. Read the full ProBono Australia article [here](#).

### ['A nutrition and menu audit completes the picture'](#)

Ensuring good nutrition in aged care is so much more than providing great food, writes Ngaire Hobbins. Read the full Australian Ageing Agenda article [here](#).

### [Choice under CDC not translating into practice, study finds](#)

The rhetoric about "choice" in consumer directed care hasn't translated into practice, new research into the provision of home care services suggests. Read the full Community Care Review article [here](#).

### [Making Tourism More Inclusive For All](#)

When Martin Heng travels overseas as a person with disability, he needs to find an accessible hotel room, work out if public transport is wheelchair-friendly, and accept some shops and restaurants will be nearly impossible to enter. Read the full ProBono Australia article [here](#).

### [Global incidence of dementia more than doubles](#)

The number of people living with dementia around the world has more than doubled to almost 44 million since 1990, according to a global study. Read the full Community Care Review article [here](#).

## Featured Organisation

### **Austism CRC**

<https://www.autismcrc.com.au>

The Cooperative Research Centre for Living with Autism (Autism CRC) is the world's first national cooperative research centre focused on autism. We are taking a whole-of-life approach to autism focusing on diagnosis, education and adult life.

Our vision is to see autistic people empowered to discover and use their diverse strengths and interests. Our mission is to motivate, facilitate and translate collaborative autism research across the life span, underpinned by inclusive practices. Our programs take a whole-of-life view from diagnosis and the early years, through the

school years and into adult life. We are committed to inclusive research practices and coproduction of outcomes with those on the spectrum and their families to ensure our research provides practical and tangible outputs that benefit the community.

Autism CRC was established in 2013 and is the world's first national, cooperative research effort focused on autism. We provide the national capacity to develop and deliver evidence-based outcomes through our unique collaboration with the autism community, research organisations, industry and government. Currently, we have 56 participant organisations and other partners based around Australia and internationally.

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## Disability New

### FEDERAL & SHADOW MINISTRIES for DISABILITY, NDIS & SOCIAL SERVICES

In case you missed the announcements here is a summary.

#### MINISTRY

- **Minister for the National Disability Insurance Scheme - The Hon Stuart Robert MP**
- Minister for Families and Social Services - Senator the Hon Anne Ruston
- Minister for Housing - The Hon Michael Sukkar MP
- Minister for Indigenous Australians - The Hon Ken Wyatt AM MP
- Minister for Health - The Hon Greg Hunt MP
- Minister for Aged Care and Senior Australians - Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck
- Assistant Minister for Children and Families - The Hon Michelle Landry MP
- Assistant Minister for Community Housing, Homelessness and Community Services - Mr Luke Howarth MP

#### SHADOW MINISTRY

- **Hon Bill Shorten MP - Shadow Minister for the National Disability Insurance Scheme**, Shadow Minister for Government Services
- Hon Linda Burney MP - Shadow Minister for Families and Social Services, Shadow Minister for Indigenous Australians
- Hon Julie Collins MP - Shadow Minister for Ageing and Seniors, Shadow Minister for Women
- Hon Jason Clare MP - Shadow Minister for Housing and Homelessness
- Hon Amanda Rishworth MP - Shadow Minister for Early Childhood Education
- Hon Chris Bowen MP - Shadow Minister for Health
- Emma McBride MP - Shadow Assistant Minister for Carers, Shadow Assistant Minister for Mental Health
- Hon Dr Andrew Leigh MP - Shadow Assistant Minister for Charities
- Ged Kearney MP - Shadow Assistant Minister for Aged Care

## Disability News

### Australian Parliament Joint Standing Committee on the NDIS

March 2019 Report

[View the report as a single document](#) - ([PDF 898KB](#))

[Recommendations](#)

A few of the recommendation are as follows:-

- The committee recommends the Australian Government consider adding to the Guiding Principles of the NDIS Act, a further principle aimed at ensuring that the NDIA systematically engage and collaborate with the disability sector and people with disability in the development and review of its operational plans and guidelines.

- The committee recommends the NDIA consider how to better reflect in its pricing of supports the additional administration and professional development costs associated with operating in the NDIS environment as part of the next annual NDIS pricing review.
- The committee recommends the NDIA establish within the Complex Needs pathway a unit in each jurisdiction responsible for coordinating and ensuring crisis service provision.
- The committee recommends the Council of Australian Governments (COAG) Disability Reform Council agree to put in place a formal mechanism that ensures a person-first principle is applied in the delivery of services in the event of funding disputes between the NDIA and mainstream services.
- The committee recommends that the NDIS Quality and Safeguards Commission urgently review the impact of its regulatory requirements on sole providers and small to medium sized businesses providing disability services and report to the parliament on its findings.
- The committee recommends NDIA start trialling alternatives to a fee-for service delivery model to address thin markets in rural and remote areas by the end of 2019.
- The committee recommends the NDIA immediately commit resources to work with the mental health sector to refine the psychosocial disability stream before it is rolled out nationally to ensure it is fit-for-purpose.

## Disability News

### What Do Support Coordinators Actually Do?

The most recent version of the NDIS Price Guide includes a pretty good definition of the Support Coordinator's roles: Connection, Support Design, Establish Supports, Crisis, Coach, Refine, Reflect.

Support Coordinators are paid by the hour, just like most other NDIS supports. So once the Participant's funding has run out, Support Coordinators are under no obligation to continue providing support. But it's no secret that many Participants do not receive enough funding for a Support Coordinator to do everything on the list above.

Read the full informative Disability Services Consulting article [here](#).

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## Disability News

### [NSW laws pave way for Australia-first disability and ageing watchdog](#)

The introduction of legislation establishing a powerful independent Ageing and Discrimination Commissioner in NSW is a historic occasion for Australia, Premier Gladys Berejiklian says. The commissioner could be directed by parliament to enquire into systemic abuses and would also be relying on members of the public to report any incidents they might see, she said. Minister for Families, Community and Disability Services Gareth Ward said the new commissioner would have "independence and teeth" with powers to, seize evidence, investigate abuse and refer matters to other bodies including police, the Healthcare Complaints Commission and NDIS Quality and Safeguards commission. Read the full Community Care Review article [here](#).

## Books & Publications

### [Disability support services: services provided under the National Disability Agreement 2017-18](#)

While the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) is expected to largely replace the current provision of services to people with disability under the National Disability Agreement (NDA), in 2017-18 many people were still receiving support under the NDA. Access the report from Analysis & Policy Observatory [here](#).

### **Cheap Eats - Heart Foundation**

The Heart Foundation compiles easy, tasty and economical recipes for the whole family. Cheap Eats Cookbook costing less than \$2.50 per serve ([download](#)), see also Affordable Eats Cookbook for less than \$3 per person

### **Pain in Residential Aged Care Facilities: Management Strategies, 2nd Edition**

This new edition is designed as a “one stop shop” with easy-to-use information and resources at the fingertips of the residential aged care facility workforce. It is relevant for personal care assistants, registered nurses, general practitioners, physiotherapists, psychologists, dieticians, occupational therapists, pharmacists and other allied health professionals to identify, assess and manage pain by addressing various pain management strategies. It includes revised and expanded content, including two new chapters Pain at the End of Life and Pain and Nutrition. The document aims to provide contemporary research and expanded clinical practice insights and knowledge that should be utilised to inform clinical practice for the management of pain in residential aged care facilities. Purchase from the Australian Pain Society [here](#).

### Physical activity across the life stages

This report presents information on the physical activity and sedentary participation rate of Australians across the life stages, reported against Australia’s Physical Activity and Sedentary Behaviour Guidelines. Access the Australian Institute of Health & Welfare report [here](#).

## Policies & Guidelines

### National Guideline for the Assessment and Diagnosis of Autism Spectrum Disorder in Australia

Developed and published by Autism CRC with the financial support of the National Disability Insurance Agency (NDIA), the Guideline aims to create greater consistency in diagnostic practices across the country to ensure individuals on the autism spectrum and their families can receive the optimal clinical care. The Guideline also emphasises the importance of listening to individuals and their families about the impact of the behaviours on family life. The community has been requesting a national and consistent guideline for autism assessment and diagnosis for many years, and we are pleased to release a guideline that responds to this need. The guideline recommendations were approved by [Australia’s National Health and Medical Research Council](#). Register to access the Guidelines [here](#).

### Position Statement: Intellectual Disability & Complex Needs

The Australian Society for Intellectual Disability (ASID) has published a position statement and background paper. Access below:-

- [Intellectual Disability and Complex Needs Position Statement](#)
- [Background paper for ASID Position Statement on Intellectual Disability and Complex Support Needs](#)

## Directories Online

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**The studio guests coming up include:** = Cyclone Rose Carleo, The Vegus Nerves, PHUN Uke, Steve Condon, Christina Crofts, Bush Music Club, Traditional Graffiti, Carolyn Packer, Luke Escombe, The Vegetable Plot, Dave, Hucker Brown, Pat Drummond, Mic Conway National Junk Band, Adam Jones, Oz Manouche Festival, Cameron Jones, The Water Runners, Franky Valentyn Project, Amanda Easton, Ivor SK, Gwyn Ashton, 8 Ball Aitken, and many more in 2019. **Join our 14,000+ Facebook Likes** or follow our studio guest announcements at <https://www.facebook.com/Australian.Spectrum.Show.Alive90.5fm>

## Parents You Can Participate In This Research

### **Brief online mindfulness treatment for reducing stress for parents whose children have an intellectual or developmental disability.**

The Graduate School of Health at University of Technology Sydney are running a trial for an online mindfulness treatment to reduce stress for parents whose children have developmental disabilities. This program is free and has been designed by clinical psychologists.

If you are interested, please contact Raphaella Osborn, BSc (Hons, Psych), M Clin Psych, PhD candidate, at [raphaella.osborn@student.uts.edu.au](mailto:raphaella.osborn@student.uts.edu.au) for more information.

## Grant & Fund Raising News

### **Australians generosity revealed**

Australians upped charitable giving by over half a billion dollars from 2015 to 2017, Australian Tax Office figures have revealed. The latest taxation statistics for 2016-17, based on information reported by 13.9 million Australians' in their tax returns, found \$3.5 billion was donated to charity, with an average gift size of \$770. Read the full ProBono Australia article [here](#).

### **NFPs overlooking the online donor experience**

Charities are being urged to make it easier for people to donate online, after new research found not for profits were struggling with the transition to digital giving. Read the full ProBono Australia article [here](#).

### **Benefits of One-on-One Care For Charities Uncovered**

Increasing the one-on-one time between charity volunteers and those in need by just over an hour can reduce the number of times people come back for help by up to 25 per cent, new research shows. Read the full ProBono Australia article [here](#).

### **Forrests set Australian donation record... again**

Australian philanthropists Andrew and Nicola Forrest hope a record \$655 million donation to their Minderoo Foundation will help inspire a culture of philanthropy in the Asia-Pacific region. Read the full ProBono Australia article [here](#).

## Research & Demographic Reports

### **Older Australia at a glance 2017**

Older people make up a considerable proportion of Australia's population—in 2017, over 1 in 7 people were aged 65 and over. This report provides an overview of this diverse and growing population group through a range of topics. These outline older people's demographic characteristics, health status, and service use. Access the Australian Institute of Health & Welfare report and data cells [here](#).

### **Changes in the Risk of Reaching Multiple Sclerosis Disability Milestones In Recent Decades: A Nationwide Population-Based Cohort Study in Sweden**

Omid Beiki, MD, PhD, MSc; Paolo Frumento, PhD; Matteo Bottai, ScD; et al. Clinicians' experience and findings from recent natural history studies suggest that multiple sclerosis (MS) may now be running a more slowly progressing course than before. In this nationwide population-based cohort study of 7331 patients with multiple sclerosis diagnosed between 1995 and 2010, a significant 3% decrease per calendar year of diagnosis for the risk of sustained Expanded Disability Status Scale score (EDSS) 3.0, a significant 6% decrease for the risk of EDSS 4.0, and a significant 7% decrease for the risk of EDSS 6.0 among patients with relapsing-onset multiple sclerosis was found. The risk of reaching disability milestones decreased significantly over the last decade in patients with relapsing-onset multiple sclerosis in Sweden. JAMA Neurol. Published online March 18, 2019. doi:10.1001/jamaneurol.2019.0330. Access the abstract and article from [here](#).

### **Mental health services in Australia (MHSA)**

The Australia Institute of Health and Welfare report that in 2017-18, 4.2 million people received mental-health related prescriptions. Explore the following MHSA web pages that have been updated: [prescriptions](#), [emergency departments](#), [Medicare](#) and [consumer perspectives](#).



### [Effect of Low-Fat vs Low-Carbohydrate Diet on 12-Month Weight Loss in Overweight Adults and the Association With Genotype Pattern or Insulin Secretion: The DIETFITS Randomized Clinical Trial](#)

Christopher D. Gardner, PhD; John F. Trepanowski, PhD; Liana C. Del Gobbo, PhD; et al. In this randomized clinical trial among 609 overweight adults, weight change over 12 months was not significantly different for participants in the HLF diet group (-5.3 kg) vs the HLC diet group (-6.0 kg), and there was no significant diet-genotype interaction or diet-insulin interaction with 12-month weight loss. JAMA. 2018;319(7):667-679. doi:10.1001/jama.2018.0245. Access the abstract and article from [here](#).

### [Australia's health expenditure: an international comparison](#)

Among 36 OECD (Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development) countries, Australia ranked 11th for total health expenditure. Australia's health expenditure per person (\$6,661) was higher than the OECD median (\$5,107). Explore how Australia ranks and this rank has changed over time for other health expenditure measures, such as expenditure by health-care providers and health expenditure by type of financing. Access the Australian Institute of Health & Welfare report [here](#).

## Featured Course

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Some examples are:

- [Diabetes Emergencies: Hypoglycaemia \(1hr 30min\)](#)
- [Wound Dressings \(1hr 55min\)](#)
- [Diabetes Emergencies: Hyperglycaemia \(1hr 25min\)](#)
- [Wound Care: Pressure Injury \(1hr 30min\)](#)
- [Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder \(55min\)](#)
- [Urinary Incontinence: Management in the Community \(1hr 10min\)](#)
- [Nutrition and Hydration in Palliative Care \(1hr 15min\)](#)
- [Falls: Identifying Risk \(1hr 10min\)](#)

## Education Resources

### [First aid app helps prepare for emergencies](#)

A New South Wales-developed app has been launched to provide on-the-go first aid information and help in emergency situations. Read the full Australian Aged Care Agenda article [here](#). Download the free *iFirstAid* app [here](#).

### Practice Tips Sheets for Palliative Care

The palliAGED Practice Tip Sheets for careworkers and nurses have been developed to support those providing palliative care to older people. The aim is to support understanding about care needs and how these can be met. Covering a range of care issues, the [Tip Sheets for careworkers](#) are suitable for independent and in-house team training of careworkers. The palliAGED Practice [Tip Sheets for nurses](#) cover the same care issues at a level suitable for nurses newly engaged with providing palliative care to older people, or as support for training sessions with careworkers. For health and care professionals with more experience we recommend visiting the palliAGED [Evidence in Practice](#) and related [Evidence Centre](#) for more information and guidance. Access resources [here](#).

### Practical Guide to Gluten and Other Food Allergens in Healthcare

We understand that without good supporting processes, it can be a challenge to deliver allergen free menus. In collaboration with Coeliac Australia and the Institute of Hospitality in Healthcare, we've translated best practice [1] into an easy to understand guide. This means you can set up your food service to be better able to transform allergen free ingredients, into allergen free meals. Download [here](#). Other Allergen Free resources including Fact Sheets, Food Allergen Matrix, etc. accessed [here](#).

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## Conference Calendar

July 2019

Fragile X Awareness Month. [website](#)

2 July 2019

**NDIS Supporting Consumers & Carers Accessing the NDIS.** Dubbo, NSW. [Info](#)

8 - 9 July 2019

**Managing Aggressive and Violent Behaviour.** Sydney. ACWA / CCWT. [Info](#)

9 July 2019

**NDIS Supporting Consumers & Carers Accessing the NDIS.** Orange, NSW. [Info](#)

9 - 10 July 2019

**I-Can Facilitator Training.** Sydney, Centre for Disability Studies, Sydney Uni. [Info](#)

10 - 12 July 2019

**Occupational Therapy Australia 28th National Conference & Expo.** Sydney Convention Centre. OTA. [Info](#)

14 - 20 July 2019

National Diabetes Week. [website](#)

17 - 20 July 2019

**9th World Congress of Behaviour & Cognitive Therapies.** Berlin, Germany. [Info](#)

23 July 2019

**NDIS Supporting Consumers & Carers Accessing the NDIS.** Lismore, NSW. [Info](#)

25 - 26 July 2019

**Mental Health: Understanding Personality Disorders Seminar.** Brisbane. AusMed Education. [Info](#)

**26 July 2019**

**Supporting Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander People who have a Disability.** Sydney Uni. Centre for Disability Studies. [Info](#).

**26 July 2019**

**Mental Health & Wellbeing of Younger People Seminar. Adelaide.** Generation Next. [Info](#)

**30 July 2019**

**NDIS Supporting Consumers & Carers Accessing the NDIS.** Coffs Harbour, NSW. [Info](#)

**1 - 2 August 2019**

**Personality Disorders: Psychodynamic & Attachment Theory Perspective. Sydney.** ACWA / CCWT. [Info](#)

**1 - 4 August 2019**

**Better Boards Conference. Brisbane.** [Info](#)

**2 August 2019**

**Mental Health & Wellbeing of Younger People Seminar. Sydney.** Generation Next. [Info](#)

**6 August 2019**

**NDIS Supporting Consumers & Carers Accessing the NDIS.** Newcastle, NSW. [Info](#)

**6 - 9 August 2019**

**World Congress of the International Association for the Scientific Study of Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities.** Glasgow, Scotland. IASSIDD. [Info](#).

**7 - 8 August 2019**

**21st International Conference on Disability Studies.** Vancouver, Canada. [Info](#)

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