

Can I buy it with my NDIS funding?

Once you understand your NDIS plan and support budget you can choose the supports you are going to buy. As a self-manager you can be really creative when working out how you can best meet your needs and plan goals using your funding. What you buy with your self-managed funding will be as individual as you.

The following guidance has been created by the NDIA to help you decide what you can buy with your NDIS funding.

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| <p>1. Will the support help you to reach the goals in your NDIS plan? The support you buy must be linked to the support budgets and goals in your current NDIS plan and related to your disability.</p> | Y/N |
| Notes | |
| <p>2. Is the support reasonably priced and good value? The support should give you good value-for-money compared to other options. Remember you can choose to pay less and get more support, or pay more for a higher quality support that meets your needs and related to your disability</p> | Y/N |
| Notes | |
| <p>3. Can you afford the support within your support budget? Your NDIS funding needs to last for the length of your plan. Work out your budget early so you know what you can afford. This will help you to track your funding and make decisions about any changes to your supports during your plan.</p> | Y/N |
| Notes | |
| <p>4. Will the support help you to connect with your community and improve the relationships you have with family and friends? The support you buy should help you to participate in activities with friends and other members of your community, or help you find or keep a job.</p> | Y/N |
| Notes | |
| <p>5. Is the support something that should be funded by the NDIS and not other government services? In your NDIS plan the funded supports will not include support that is provided by other government services. example, dental, health or hospital services, education, housing and public transport are all provided by other government services</p> | Y/N |
| Notes | |
| <p>6. Is the support safe? The support you buy must be legal. It should not cause harm or put yourself or other people at risk.</p> | Y/N |
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If you are able to answer 'yes' to each of these questions, then the support is likely to be in line with your NDIS plan and goals. If you are unsure you can always check with your LAC or NDIA planner.

You might like to write notes and keep this sheet with your records.

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*** Please note: You cannot use your NDIS funding to pay a family member to provide you with support. This is important for you and your family so you can maintain good relationships