



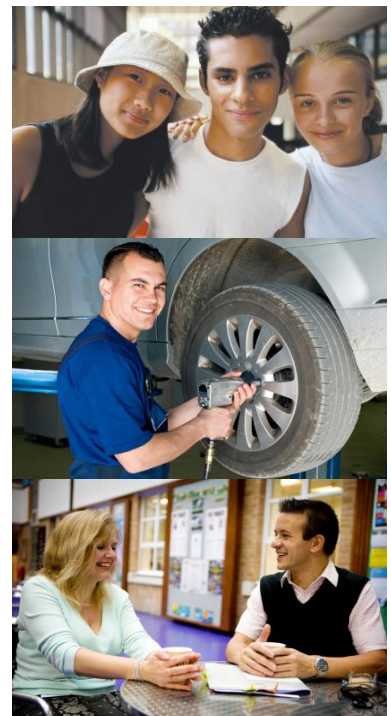
National Disability Coordination Officer Program
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National Disability Coordination Officer Program South-Western and Western Sydney Regions

The NDCO Program works strategically to assist people with disability access, and participate in tertiary education and employment, through a national network of regionally based NDCOs. NDCOs work with stakeholders to reduce systemic barriers, facilitate smooth transitions, build links and coordinate services between the education, training and employment sectors.

NDCOs work with a wide range of stakeholders: people with disability and their families; schools (Public, Catholic and Independent); tertiary education and training providers; employment services; employers; community and disability services; and other Government programs. The Program is funded by the Australian Government.

The South-Western Sydney and Western Sydney regions of the NDCO program are hosted by the Western Sydney University Equity and Diversity Unit.



What services can an NDCO provide people with disability?

- Empower people with information about the range of post-school education, training, and employment options and how to access them, for example through presenting to groups of students and families, and running events and forums
- Inform people with disability about their rights, entitlements, provider obligations, services and supports available, to help them make successful transitions and participate in tertiary education and employment
- Refer and link individuals and organisations to local support services and help them to access ongoing assistance where necessary.

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How else do NDCOs help?

- Help coordinate services and linkages between schools, vocational education providers, higher education providers and providers of employment services and disability programs
- Establish or support local networks that promote communication, cooperation and strong linkages between professionals working in schools, vocational education, higher education and employment services
- Offer professional development and training to education providers and employers to help them better support students' transition planning and participation in tertiary education and employment
- Facilitate projects and partnerships to address systemic barriers and issues that impact on people with disability making smooth transitions to tertiary education and employment

Resources to help you

- Our ***Get Ready for Study and Work*** website is full of information on post-school options available to people with disability, reasonable adjustments available in study and work, disclosure and links to many other resources. Visit our website today:
www.westernsydney.edu.au/ndco
- ***Choosing Your Path. Disclosure: It's a Personal Decision*** is a website that addresses the challenges of disclosure faced by students, employees and employers by providing information about options and pathways. See: www.westernsydney.edu.au/ndco/disclosure
- Our website ***Get Ready for Uni*** contains information about how to prepare for uni, choosing a course, choosing a uni, alternative pathways available and disability support. Check out the website: www.westernsydney.edu.au/ndco/getready
- The ***Education to Employment Package*** is a website targeted at tertiary students and graduates with disability and their employers and service providers. For more information visit www.westernsydney.edu.au/ndco/employment



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