



National Disability Coordination Officer Program
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National Disability Coordination Officer Program Sydney Metropolitan 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 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 Programme is funded by the Australian Government.

Don't hesitate to contact your local NDCO at any time to discuss your information needs or learn more about how we can help.

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

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
- Develop and distribute resources to people with disabilities, families, education providers and employers that encourage and support effective transition planning. For example:
 - ➔ Get Ready for Study and Work website: www.westernsydney.edu.au/ndco
 - ➔ Get Ready for Uni website: www.westernsydney.edu.au/ndco/getready
 - ➔ Choosing your Path: Disclosure it's a personal decision website: www.westernsydney.edu.au/ndco/disclosure
 - ➔ Education to Employment website: www.westernsydney.edu.au/ndco/employment
 - ➔ NDCO Create your future series of short films: <https://vimeo.com/ndcoprogramme>

For more information please contact your local NDCO

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