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Age requirements

Question 1: Are you aged between 9 and 65?

Yes. Go to the next question.

No. I have a child aged under 9. Find out more about [Help for children under 9](#).

No. I'm 65 and over. You must be under 65 to access the NDIS. [You may be able to access other supports](#).

Residence requirements

Question 2: Are you an Australian citizen, permanent resident, or Protected Special Category Visa holder?

Yes. Go to the next question.

No. You may be able to access other supports. The NDIS is only available to:

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Question 3: Do you live in Australia?

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Disability requirements

Question 4: Do you have a disability caused by a permanent impairment?

Yes. Go to the next question.

No. The NDIS is only available to people who have a [disability caused by a permanent impairment](#). The impairment may be intellectual, cognitive, neurological, sensory, physical, or psychosocial.

Question 5: Do you usually need disability-specific supports to complete daily life activities?

Yes. If you usually need [disability-specific supports to complete daily life activities](#) you may be eligible. [Find out how to apply](#).

No. Go to the next question.

Early intervention requirements

Question 6: Do you need some supports now to reduce your future need for support?

Yes. You may be eligible if you need some [supports now to reduce your future need for support](#). [Find out how to apply](#).

No. Go to the next question.

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Yes. You may be eligible if you need some [supports now for your family to build their skills to help you](#). [Find out how to apply](#).

No. The NDIS may not be the best way to support you. But a local area coordinator can help you connect with other government and community supports.

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