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I need to know about the NDIS in WA

1. The National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) will enable eligible West Australians with disability to access individualised funding that is tailored to meet their needs and goals.
2. The NDIS is managed by the federal government through the National Disability Insurance Agency (NDIA).
3. The NDIS is being rolled out across WA geographically and is available to new participants based on where they live. All eligible West Australians will have access to the scheme by 2020.
4. To access the NDIS, participants will need to meet age, residency and disability or early intervention requirements. Participants must be aged less than 65 years at the time of their eligibility request to participate in the NDIS.
5. Eligible individuals and/ or their chosen representatives will be invited to meet with an NDIS Planner. The NDIS Planner works with the individual to create an NDIS support plan. The plan will be reviewed on a regular basis (typically every 12 months).
6. NDIS allows its participants to have choice and control in the planning and delivery of supports. Participants can choose to self-manage all of the funding, or part of the funding. They can also choose their service providers.
7. Participants can use their funding for disability related supports and services that assist them to pursue the goals and vision in their NDIS plan. NDIS will assess these supports against reasonable and necessary criteria.
8. LAC partners are Local Area Coordinators and they have three key roles: supporting people to link into the NDIS, linking you to information and support in the community, working with the local community to make sure it is welcoming and inclusive for people with disability. The NDIS plan to implement LAC partners in WA by 2019.
9. ECEI partners are Early Childhood Early Intervention Partners. Their role is to support children with developmental delay and disability aged 0-6 years old and their families through best-practice and family-centred approaches. The NDIS plan to implement ECEI partners in WA by 2019. Contact the Autism Advisor team for more information.
10. For more information on eligibility and roll-out areas you can visit www.ndis.gov.au; call 1800 800 110 or 08 9235 7200; or visit your nearest NDIA office.