

# Blue Care and the NDIS

## (National Disability Insurance Scheme)

At Blue Care, we believe everyone has the right to live a rich and fulfilling life that is not defined by disability - a life where you're free to make your own decisions, however big or small. The NDIS is your opportunity to do exactly that. It opens up a whole new world of possibilities, enabling you to shape your own future like never before.

At Blue Care we are ready to work with you to make the most of this new scheme, so you can live life your way.

### **What is the NDIS?**

The National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) is a new government initiative which changes the way people with disability receive funding and support. Under the NDIS, you will be able to tailor the support you receive to meet your own needs and goals.

The NDIS has commenced its rollout across Queensland and is now available in the Townsville, Mackay and Toowoomba regions. From July 1 2017 it will be available in the Ipswich/Lockyer region.

To be able to access the NDIS you have to meet certain requirements, such as being under 65 years of age. Please check whether you can access the NDIS on the website [www.ndis.gov.au](http://www.ndis.gov.au) or call us on 1300 77 80 81.

### **How can Blue Care support you with the NDIS?**

No matter what you want to achieve, Blue Care is here to offer the support you need, when you need it. Blue Care is a registered provider, so we can deliver our wide range of services under the NDIS.

Once the NDIS is introduced in your region, we can support you through the whole process. We can help you to:

- Understand the NDIS and what it means for you
- Plan for your first meeting with the NDIA
- Choose your supports

## More information

To find out more about the NDIS and the services Blue Care is offering, please call our friendly team on 1300 77 80 81 or look at [www.bluecare.org.au/disability](http://www.bluecare.org.au/disability)

In addition, we have a number of Blue Care resources available for you, such as an Easy English brochure, Frequently Asked Questions brochure, NDIS Step by Step Guide and NDIS Pre-planning booklet. You can download these resources from [www.bluecare.org.au/disability](http://www.bluecare.org.au/disability) or order them at 1300 77 80 81.

To find more information about the NDIS in Queensland, or to find out if you are eligible for NDIS, please visit [www.ndis.gov.au](http://www.ndis.gov.au).

