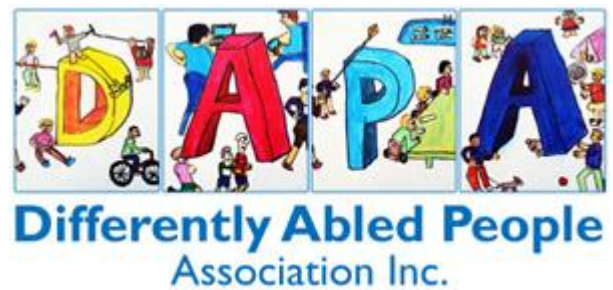


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NDIS–Disability and Inclusion

NDIS has opened the application for Information Linkages and Capacity Building grants. Government will give \$51m for the next three years for national information program. In this round of community grant, service providers can apply for up to \$300,000.

From NDIS website, it describes the following :

What you need to know about the ILC Policy Framework

- ILC is the part of the NDIS that provides information, linkages and referrals to connect people with disability, their families and carers, with broader systems of support.
- ILC will facilitate capacity building supports for people with disability, their families and carers.
- The focus of ILC is not who will gain access to it, but on the supports offered. Anyone will be able to inquire about ILC supports through the NDIA or Local Area Coordinators (LAC), including people with disability who do not have an NDIS plan.
- ILC will also promote collaboration and partnership with local communities and other government services to create greater inclusivity and accessibility of people with disability.
- ILC is part of a bigger picture. Partners in the Community delivering Local Area Coordination services as part of ILC, and individual NDIS plans, all work together to support people with disability.
- ILC is a key component of the NDIS's whole of life insurance based model and will contribute to the sustainability of the NDIS by building the capacity of the community, people with disability, their families and carers.

In this grant, it also includes support and tools suitable for remote rural communities. Our MMLink, the unique accessible geo-location smart phone search engine application since 2013, may be useful for that purpose.

NDIS–Where DAPA can help

DAPA, through our Stronger Forever Program, is a registered provider of NDIS funded support. We provide day care and training in all aspects of independent living skills. We have stressed the importance of care workers with empathy to assist our members to enabling them to have employment skills in IT areas as part of requirement in our program. This will prepare them to get a meaningful employment in the future.

Do you have spare time to share and you want to contribute back to the community? Come to share our experience by volunteering. The experience is fulfilling and rewarding.

If you want to find out more about NDIS and how to access the scheme, please look at our website www.dap.asn.au or directly talk to us on 02-97635702. We are happy to help.

Stronger Forever Program

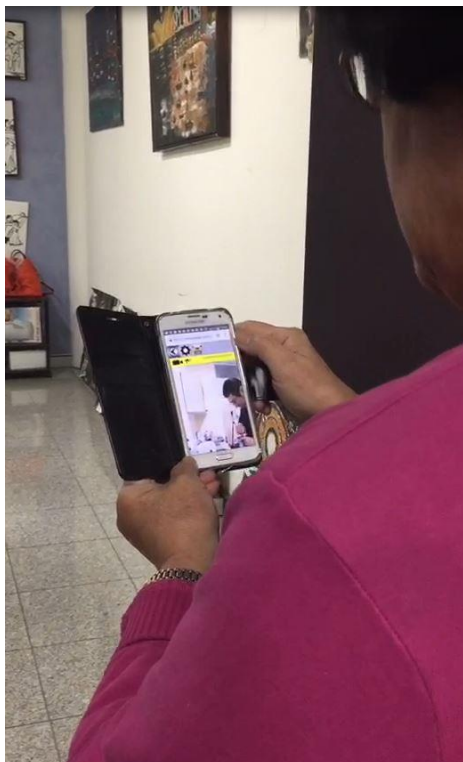
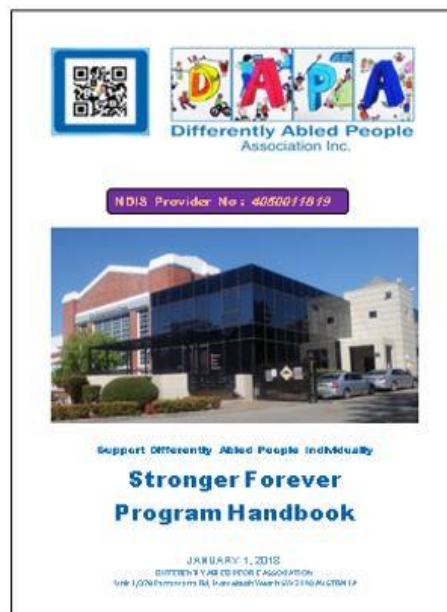
DAPA has upgraded the Stronger Forever Program Handbook in line with NDIS services. It now shows all the services we can provide under different categories such as Core Support, Capacity Building Support and Transportation.

We have applied for BLCW grant for \$20,000. That Will enable us in the coming restructuring of our Organisation to be more effective in ensuring long term employment for people with intellectual disabilities.

Living Skills Training

Live Video Training Development

MMLink smart phone application development has started in providing instant video link between carer and the person being cared for. If a person who needs help such as how to make a cup of tea without a support worker nearby, a link between the mobile phone in the hand and the carer on the other far away. Both can see either places using MMLink to train the person in need and to locate things like tea bag and milk and talk through the instructions how to boil the water etc.



Participation in the Community:

Visit from Uma, Prashanth and Nila

Since 2011 prior to the incorporation of DAPA Uma and Prashanth left us to join the mainstring workforce, Prashanth went to the Department of Defence as a full time permanent staff. Uma started to work in the IT area and now join Prashanth to work in Canberra as well.

Last month, Prashanth and his wife Nila and Uma went to have a tour in China. Everyone was so excited and Prashanth learnt a lot about Chinese Mandarin language from Google and practiced a little in China. After the trip on 5th April, they came to visit us with some tasty Chinese biscuits and confectionery for our morning tea followed by an Indian takeaway lunch from Homebush. Before they left in the afternoon, Prashanth was so generous to donate two hundred dollars to our organisation.

