

# Child and Youth Development

## School and Transition Support

Our experienced Child and Youth Development team supports children and young people to develop social and life skills and to connect with their community. We support our clients to maximise their learning opportunities in a variety of settings, including schools.

Child and Youth Development group programs serve as a link to develop peer and community networks and offer the opportunity to try community-based activities in a safe environment.

Other services include Auslan (Australian Sign Language) skill development and support for transition to primary and high school and to post-school adult services.

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#### Target Group

Children aged from 6-18 years old with a sensory impairment.

#### What to expect

Flexible four hour support programs are facilitated by a Child and Youth Development Consultant with expert knowledge around supporting children who have additional needs.

Support programs may consist of observation visits, support and training for educators, and input at Negotiated Education Plan meetings.

#### Aims of Group

Families can access support around what to look for when choosing a school or service in order to maximise their child's inclusion.

Educators can access support and training which may include observation visits, provision of strategies and suggestions to

assist the child to participate more fully and input at Negotiated Education Plan meetings.

Children can access support at key transition times (e.g. moving from primary school to high school).

#### Goals of the Program

Goals are individually negotiated with the child, their family and educators.

#### Outcomes

Children will:

- Be supported to participate to their full potential in an education setting.

Families will:

- Feel confident that the educational setting they have chosen for their child is meeting their needs.

Educators will:

- Feel supported and confident in working with students who have a sensory impairment.

#### Eligibility Criteria

Families must be registered for services with Can:Do 4Kids.

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### Staff

Child and Youth Development Consultants have a variety of backgrounds working alongside families and schools to support children/young adults to continue to develop and encourage independence.

Can:Do 4Kids Child and Youth Development Consultants work as a part of a multidisciplinary team alongside Early Intervention Consultants, Speech Pathologists and Occupational Therapists, Assistive Technology specialists, Orientation and Mobility specialists, Physiotherapists, Social Workers and Audiologists.

### Locations

A Child and Youth Development Consultant may see a child/young adult:

- In the classroom
- In the home
- In the community
- At one of our clinic locations

### Referrals

Families can contact Can:Do 4Kids directly or with a referral from NDIS, your GP, Specialist or school.

### Funding

Can:Do 4Kids are registered to provide services under a variety of funding models including National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS), Medicare, Private Health and self funded.

If you are unsure of your eligibility, or would like to discuss the best funding method for your child please contact us for further information.

### Contact Us

We would love to hear from you. For further information about our services and to discuss your child's needs please contact us; on

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