

# Occupational Therapy Training for the NDIA

## Home Modification - Advanced Practice and Application

Many NDIS participants report difficulty managing every day activities in their homes. For some this is due to poor technique, for others - a lack of equipment or minor home modifications such as simple ramps and rails. For a limited few there may be a need for complex home modifications: those requiring structural changes to the dwelling.

Whilst any Occupational Therapist is able to prescribe simple home modifications for National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) participants, the National Disability Insurance Agency (NDIA) has introduced a process where the prescription of complex home modifications is limited to expert Occupational Therapists. These Therapists review the participant's functional performance and thoroughly investigate all options to assist them to access and use essential areas of their home prior to the prescription of complex modifications. Participants have a choice of these OTs from a list in each region and are assured that these therapists are experts in this practice area and have been trained in working with the NDIA ie. considering all alternatives, understanding reasonable and necessary and providing the justification documentation required.

This 2-day training package has been designed in collaboration with the NDIA to address the specific challenges and issues that have been identified for occupational therapists who wish to assess participants with complex home modification requirements and develop concept plans for NDIS participants. The program will be of value for any OT working with NDIS participants.

Completion of this training enables OTs to be eligible for the regional Interim Lists. Inclusion in the Lists is via invitation or an Expression of Interest process. All are therapists on the Lists required to attend this training. A Certificate of Completion will only be issued to those Occupational Therapists that attend the training and complete all required activities.

Participants will be expected to complete a range of pre and post-training readings and activities.

### Advanced Practice and Application – 2 days

The training will focus on the practical application of the content covered in the Introduction to Practice workshop through a variety of complex case studies to consolidate learnings and apply workshop information to the NDIS practice framework.

Content includes:

- Further NDIA information about the framework for service delivery and expectations regarding recommendations and documentation for complex scenarios
- Strategies to research, review and select design ideas
- Feedback and discussion with NDIA senior staff reviewing recommendations developed
- Clinical reasoning in relation to challenging ethical issues
- Creative problem solving re: specific areas of the home and modification options addressing layout redesign and complex environmental barriers
- Use of telehealth for people who present with complex needs

## Training Details

Costs:	\$880 (GST incl) for two days training NOTE: must be paid 5 working days before commencement of each workshop		
Registration Fees include:			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• All workbook materials and resources</li><li>• Morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea at all workshops</li><li>• Certificates of attendance (NOTE: these will only be issued upon satisfactory completion of all workshops and assessment activities)</li></ul> <p><b>Not included</b> – copy of AS 1428.1 2009 or drawing resources</p> <p>Participants need to bring pencils, rubbers, scale rulers and AS 1428.1 2009</p>		
Times:	All workshops will run from 9 am to 5 pm each day. Registrations from 8.30 am.		
Dates / Locations:			
	Location	Venue	Dates
	ACT	214 Northbourne Ave, Braddon	February 22 and 23

### To Register:

Complete the Registration Form on the following page and send to:

Home Modifications Australia

Level 4, 80 Cooper Street

Surry Hills NSW 2010

OR

Via email: [info@nswhmms.org](mailto:info@nswhmms.org)

Closing date for registrations and payment: Tuesday 16 February.

Occupational Therapy Training for the NDIA - Registration Form

<b>Name of Organisation</b>		
<b>Street / Postal Address</b>		
<b>Contact Telephone</b>	Office:	Mobile:
<b>Location and Date of Workshop:</b>		
Course Location	Advanced Practice and Application	
Canberra, ACT	February 22 and 23	
<b>Indicate Payment Type:</b>	\$880 pp (GST inclusive) X _____ participants TOTAL: = \$ _____ (GST inc)	
<b>Indicate Payment Preference:</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Online / EFT / Direct Payment (Ref = "your name") <div style="background-color: black; color: white; text-align: center; padding: 2px;"><b>Section 22</b></div> <input type="checkbox"/> Invoice (please provide billing details below)	
Please send invoice to (registrations will not be confirmed until payment is received):  Name: _____ Title: _____ Organisation: _____ Address: _____ ABN: _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____		
<b>Total number of Participants registering:</b> _____		
<b>Name of Participant/s *</b>	<b>Participant Email Address</b>	

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