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Two local service providers will share in $17.6 million of funding to deliver Local Area Coordination (LAC) and Early Childhood Early Intervention (ECEI) services in the ACT to support the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS).

Feros Care has been announced as the successful LAC partner. LAC services focus on participant capacity building, including plan development, implementation and review.

EACH has been announced as the successful ECEI partner. ECEI services deliver outcomes for children and their families through best-practice and family-centred approaches.

The Hon Jane Prentice MP, Assistant Minister for Social Services and Disability Services, congratulated the successful grant recipients and recognised the value their local expertise and experience would have in linking people to information and support in their community and helping them enter the Scheme.

“These organisations have invaluable community connections and knowledge which is why they have been selected to work closely with the National Disability Insurance Agency in delivering this world-leading Scheme,” she said.

“They will play an important role in helping the 5000 plus NDIS participants in the ACT implement their plans and connect with mainstream and community services that will help them achieve their goals.

“This is a significant investment for the ACT and will ensure participants are well supported in their transition to the NDIS.”

The Partners in the Community Program provides funding for community organisations to partner with the NDIA to help deliver the NDIS across the country.

The NDIS will provide 460,000 Australians under the age of 65 with a permanent and significant disability with the reasonable and necessary supports they need to live an ordinary life.

Information about the Partners in the Community Program, including future grant rounds, is available at www.dss.gov.au/grants/grants/ndia-partners-in-the-community-local-area-coordination-services-and-early-childhood-early-intervention-services (external).

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