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To increase support for First Nations Australians with disability, the NDIA has engaged the National Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation (NACCHO) to deliver the Aboriginal Disability Liaison Officer (ADLO) program.

The program will provide dedicated support to First Nations Australians in urban and rural areas to access the NDIS and use their plans.

Employed locally by Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisations (ACCHOs), ADLOs work at a local level to build understanding of NDIS.

ADLOs are generally members of the communities they work in, understand the culture and often speak the local languages.

Working in partnership with the NDIA and Partners in the Community, ADLOs are a further cultural link between the Indigenous community and the system of disability related supports offered through the NDIS.

The insights of ADLOs will also contribute to NDIA led co-design initiatives to improve the way NDIS works with First Nations Australians and communities.

A list of ACCHOs delivering the ADLO program is available below, or go to the NACCHO website .

To find out more, email firstnations.quality@ndis.gov.au

New South Wales

- Albury Wodonga Aboriginal Health Service
- Armajun Health Service Aboriginal Corporation - Inverell
- Biripi Aboriginal Corporation Medical Centre - Taree
- Bulgarr Ngaru Medical Aboriginal Corporation - Armidale Regional
- Coonamble Aboriginal Health Service
- Durri Aboriginal Corporation Medical Service - Kempsey
- Galambila Aboriginal Corporation - Coffs Harbour
- Orange Aboriginal Corporation Medical Service
- Tamworth Aboriginal Medical Service
- Walhallow Aboriginal Corporation - Tamworth Regional
- Yerin Aboriginal Health Services Limited - Wyong

Northern Territory

- Danila Dilba Biluru Butji Binnilutlum Health Service Aboriginal Corporation - Darwin

Queensland

- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Community Health Service Mackay
- Apunipima Cape York Health
- Bidgerdii Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Corp - Rockhampton
- Carbal Aboriginal and Islander Health Service Ltd - Toowoomba
- Cherbourg Regional Aboriginal and Islander Community Controlled Health Service (CRAICCHS) - Cherbourg and Kingaroy
- Galangoor Duwulami Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Corporation (Primary Health Care Service) - Hervey Bay
- Gladstone Regional Aboriginal and Islander Community Controlled Health Service
- Institute for Urban Indigenous Health Ltd - Windsor
- Mulungu Aboriginal Corporation Primary Health Care Service - Mareeba
- Townsville Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Service
- Wuchopperen Health Service - Cairns

South Australia

- Nunkuwarrin Yunti of South Australia Inc - Adelaide
- Nunyara Aboriginal Health Service Inc - Whyalla
- Pangula Mannamurna Aboriginal Corporation - Mount Gambier

Tasmania

- Tasmanian Aboriginal Centre - Hobart

Victoria

- Bendigo & District Aboriginal Co-operative
- Dhauward-Wurrung Portland and District Aboriginal Elderly Citizens Inc
- Goolum Goolum Aboriginal Co-operative
- Gunditjmara Aboriginal Co-operative Limited - Warrnambool
- Mallee District Aboriginal Services
- Oonah Health and Community Services
- Rumbalara Aboriginal Co-operative Limited - Shepparton
- Victorian Aboriginal Health Service - Yarra (Melbourne)
- Wathaurong Aboriginal Co-operative - Geelong

Western Australia

- Derbarl Yerrigan Health Service Aboriginal Corporation - Medina
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