

PlayAbility offers the family of a child

with developmental delay/disability:

- Recognition, support and information about early childhood development and how Early Intervention can impact an individual child's development.
- An initial interview with an Early Childhood Specialist Teacher leading to the writing of a developmental profile on an individual child. The discussion will identify short and long term goals and consider pathways for accessing support.
- The development of an Individual Family Service Plan (IFSP) for each family and within that an Individual Education Program (IEP) for the child.
- Participation in Early Learning Groups (where available) and Individual Home Based or Centre Based Sessions as required.
- A Keyworker to ensure that each family receives a coordinated service including input from our trans disciplinary team of specialists.
- Referral to other services when required or requested
- Support and information for the successful transition of children to settings such as preschool and kindergarten.
- Therapy and capacity building supports in clinical, home or school settings.

Our Vision

To support families in their quest to provide an environment for their child which ensures safety and well-being, creates resilience and seeks connections to their community and culture.

About PlayAbility

PlayAbility recognises the importance of the role of parents/carers and aims to work with you to support your child to fulfil their potential. PlayAbility recognises a parent/carer a child's first and foremost teacher.

PlayAbility believes in the rights of all children, without discrimination irrespective of a child's race, language, religion, ethnic origin, disability or other status.

PlayAbility's mission is to provide innovative and flexible high quality services which respond to the needs of families with young children in the Bega Valley Shire.



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Early Intervention & Therapy Supports



NDIS Provider

Specialist Teachers

Speech Pathology

Occupational Therapy

Child Psychology

Early Intervention (EI)

Early Intervention for children and their families aims to support the development of skills including social, communication, emotional, cognitive, self care, fine and gross motor. Our aim is that by developing these skills each child can participate meaningfully and have a sense of belonging in their local community and culture.

Each family receives an interview before commencing in order for us to tailor an individualised program to include child and family goals. Most programs are presented in one hour weekly visits to one of our two centres, home, day care centre or pre-school. Some programs are presented in small groups. We aim to be flexible to the needs and goals of each family.

Occasionally, there will be the need to triage participants on the waiting list and this will be based on the vulnerability of the family/child and the level of need. Families will be kept up to date on their progression on the waiting list.

Please contact us if you have any questions or concerns about your child's development, our early intervention services or the NIDS. Phone 02 64961918 or admin@playability.com.au or you can contact us through our website www.playability.com.au.



Trans-disciplinary Team

PlayAbility has a Trans-disciplinary team of Early Intervention specialists working within the Keyworker model.

What do **Trans-disciplinary** and **Keyworker** mean?

In a nutshell, rather than having multiple specialists in various locations, you will be placed with a single therapist to be your Keyworker. The Keyworker will provide Early Intervention across multiple disciplines in consultation or in parallel with the other members of the team.

Our team includes Specialist EI Teachers, Speech Pathologists, Occupational Therapists and a Psychologist.

In line with the National Guidelines for Best Practice in Early Childhood Education the Playability team endeavors to be a family centered, strengths based, culturally responsive practice committed to inclusion through working collaboratively within an evidence based outcomes-based approach

NDIS

PlayAbility is a registered NDIS provider. This means parents are able to pay for services out of their child's NDIS plan regardless of whether the plan is self-funded, plan managed or agency managed.

Before commencing Early Intervention we will sit down and discuss the supports you are considering to meet the goals in your child's plan. This will involve time frames, availability, locations, assessments, meetings and specific therapies. In most cases it also involves some budgeting of the funds in the plan to meet the goals.

After this we sign a Service Agreement which outlines these details. Early Intervention services begin after this at an agreed time.

Near the end of the Service Agreement time frame you may require a report to support your plan review.

Other Services

PlayAbility provides Family Support Services to the Bega Valley Community. This includes Indigenous Family Support Services, Supported playgroups and play sessions and the Mobile Toy and Parenting Resource Service.

For further information about Family Support please contact the PlayAbility office
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