

What do we need to be ready for the NDIS?

The **National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS)** is a new way of supporting people with a disability that is starting in Queensland soon. **Taking Charge of Change** is a full day interactive workshop which talks about what we know about the NDIS, and some practical things people with disability and their families can do now to get ready. **Making the Most of the NDIS** is a **new** series of short workshops that provide information about the NDIS and help people to think about how to best use the opportunities offered by the new scheme.

These workshops are for **people with a disability, their families and close friends** who are interested in exploring what they can do to assist people with a disability to be ready for when the NDIS starts in Queensland. More detailed flyers and updates will follow. For more information see www.cru.org.au

New 2016

MAKING THE MOST OF THE NDIS

Short workshops

February

3rd CRU office, South Brisbane **evening**
9th Brolga Theatre, Maryborough
10th Hervey Bay RSL, Hervey Bay
12th Lockyer Valley Function Centre, Gatton
16th-17th Grand Hotel, Gladstone
18th CRU office, South Brisbane **evening**

March

2nd CRU office, South Brisbane **evening**
14th-15th Rockhampton Leagues Club
17th CRU office, South Brisbane **evening**
TBC Bundaberg

TAKING CHARGE OF CHANGE

Full day workshops

February

4th Kedron Wavell Services Club, Chermside
13th Mount Gravatt Bowls Club, Mount Gravatt
24th Alara Training Room, Esk

March

5th Jindalee Hotel, Jindalee

Dates to be confirmed

Brisbane: Young Families Taking Charge
Ipswich: Young Families Taking Charge

New 2016

New Opportunities for a Good Life

Experiences from the NDIS Trial Sites

A one day forum showcasing stories by and about people with disabilities and their families who have been involved in the NDIS trial sites.

Presenters from the Hunter region (NSW), Barwon (Vic) and Canberra will impart learned wisdom and share insight into their experience of using the NDIS.

March 4 th Toowoomba 5 th Brisbane	Dates TBC Rockhampton Fraser Coast
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The cost of attending these events is funded by the Queensland Government.



Contact CRU if you need assistance to register, attend or participate in these events.



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Stay tuned for more NDIS Participant Readiness events to be scheduled up to June. CRU also has capacity to run some additional short sessions. If you have a group that would benefit, please get in touch.

Date/Time	Event	Venue	Presenter	Details
Feb 17, March 16, April 13	Introduction to Facilitation	Brisbane	Catherine Allen Suellen Welch	A practical, applied course for people wanting to learn how to facilitate groups. This involves three work days, a practicum component & take-home tasks.
March 1	Inclusive Education	CRU Office South Brisbane	Prof. Suzanne Carrington	An evening discussion encouraging parents to consider what they can do to get off to a good start in developing an effective partnership with their child's school. The presentation will include a mix of practical tips and links to policy & research.
March 10	CRUcial Conversation -Supporting people with disability to get the good things in life	Bowen	Suellen Welch	A short evening session will looking at how families, friends and workers can best support people with disability to live valued, connected and meaningful lives in their communities. Open to people with disability, family members and workers.
March 11	Getting to the Heart of What Matters: <i>Training for Support Workers</i>	Bowen	Suellen Welch	This workshop for support workers continues on from the previous evening session exploring the essential purpose of their role when working with people with disability to get the good things in life. Participants must attend the session on the previous night.
March 22	Self-Direction for Bigger and Better Lives	Robina Gold Coast	Jane Sherwin	This workshop outlines and explores a self-direction framework that is likely to bring benefits to people with disabilities, their families, support workers, team leaders & managers in the sector.
May 4	Getting to the Heart of What Matters: <i>Training for Support Workers</i>	Warwick	Bridget Wickert	This workshop encourages support workers to critically reflect upon the essential purpose of their role. This includes the values that underpin and drive "support", particularly in relation to valued roles & community belonging.
April 20	Responding Well to People with "Challenging Behaviours"	Cairns	Ann Greer & Rod Mills	This practical, down-to-earth training will deepen understanding about the situations in which people labelled with 'challenging behaviour' find themselves. Strategies to support people in a positive way, even when those needs are complex, will be explored.
June 1	Getting to the Heart of What Matters: <i>Training for Support Workers</i>	Woombye Sunshine Coast	Bridget Wickert	This workshop encourages support workers to critically reflect upon the essential purpose of their role. This includes the values that underpin and drive "support", particularly in relation to valued roles and community belonging.

