

Continence Funding – National Scheme Australia

(NB Information correct as of September 2018)

Scheme	Contact Details	Amount Covered and What is Provided	Criteria / Eligibility
<p>NDIS National Disability Insurance Scheme</p> <p>The scheme - administered by the National Disability Insurance Agency (NDIA)</p>	<p>1800 800 110 Mon- Frid 8am -8pm</p> <p>Email enquiries enquiries@ndis.gov.au</p> <p>www.ndis.gov.au</p> <p>To find offices in each State: www.ndis.gov.au/about-us/locations.html</p> <p>National Disability Insurance Agency GPO Box 700 Canberra ACT 2601</p>	<p>No set amount Case by case</p> <p>If incontinence due to disability all continence products should be provided via NDIS plan. Products must be “reasonable and necessary”. If eligible for these products under NDIS, and was previously funded via CAPS program, CAPs will cease and NDIS will take over funding.</p> <p>“Assistive Technology” may be funded if meet eligibility and could include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • nonslip bathmat • shower stool/chair • bath seat • over-toilet frame <p>Funds DISPOSABLE PADS: 3 pads= \$624pa</p>	<p>Criteria</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • under 65 years of age • Australian citizen • or hold a permanent visa or a Protected Special Category visa • live in an NDIS area • must have a “permanent impairment” or a “significant disability” • <u>Must have “various aspects of disability” not just incontinence. If continence ONLY issue could apply for CAPS funding</u> • “Disability” has NO concrete definition - will be subjective to assessor <p><u>Client cannot complete tasks or activates without:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • assistive technology • equipment • home modifications • assistance from others <p>How do I apply? Phone or apply online if meet criteria. Then meet with a local NDIS planner and needs assessed. Then a NDIS plan is made. Carers are given the opportunity to speak with the NDIA with or without the person they care for in regard to their ability to continue providing care and any informal supports they currently provide.</p> <p>What happens if I am accepted? <u>3 options:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NDIS Managed = funding goes to Agency, and then goes to a supplier (in VIC must be SWEP) • Plan Managed = Person gets funding sent to them. But they must then sign a service agreement to get access to SWEP products and pricing (as this is confidential information) • Individual self - managed = funding sent to them and they can choose where they get products

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		<p>4 pads= \$817pa 6 pads= \$1226pa 12 pads= \$2452pa</p> <p>Perineal Skincare will be funded as part of continence management also</p>	<p>Purchasing: The individual can choose where they purchase pads- Chemist, Healthcare Distributor like IA, Brightsky.</p> <p>Delivery: Individuals can choose how frequently delivery of pads will occur from a distributor- weekly, monthly, yearly etc..</p> <p>What happens if I am rejected?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If client applied for NDIS and is rejected, they can then go back to SWEP (VIC only) and will be funded again but there will be a waitlist & funding will not occur immediately • Clients funded with SWEP for continence products have received \$1200 for year not eligible • Those meeting the criteria for NDIS will transition to NDIS funding and will no longer be with SWEP • In other states if rejected can apply for funding under state programs <p>ALL Continence Prescribers (nurses, physios, OT's) have to register as a provider with NDIS; ONLY then can they prescribe</p> <p>How to find a continence prescriber- Call CFA 1800 33 00 66 or go to link: https://www.continence.org.au/service-providers.php?</p>