

New NASC Process

April 2026

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 - ▶ Flexible Funding tiers etc

The New NASC Process



Outcome Based Indicative Range - OBIR

- ▶ 4 Life stages currently, a further 3 in development
 - ▶ Preschool
 - ▶ Primary-intermediate
 - ▶ High School
 - ▶ Adult
 - ▶ Possible next stage – preparing for retirement, parents stepping back, leaving school
- ▶ OBIR

What are the harder parts of the day, and how could they be made less difficult?

Who supports us, and how can we help them to be available to us?

How predictable and certain are our day-to-day schedules? Are there things that would support us to have more control and predictability?



Primary-Intermediate – My Story

What things build and maintain your wellbeing, and how could they be more available in your week?

How can we raise our own skills, knowledge, and networks, to support us to be more confident supporting or living with disability?

What could a more sustainable break look like?

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My DSS Funding Plan

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Name: Alex DEMO
Indicative Range: 20000 – 25000
Date Completed: -

Start Date: 19/02/2026

End Date: 19/02/2027

Area	Purpose	Support	Start Date	End Date	How many	Unit Type	Frequency	Unit Cost	Management	Total Cost	Annualised Cost
<i>In the area of...</i>	<i>I'm looking for support that...</i>	<i>That support would look like...</i>	<i>That support would start on...</i>	<i>That support would end on...</i>				<i>I expect that might cost...</i>	<i>The way I want this managed is...</i>	<i>For the period of this plan that is...</i>	<i>For a year that is...</i>
Daily routines	Preparing myself for my day	A person to support me to get ready in the morning.	02/03/2026	28/02/2027	364	Hour(s)	Allocated	\$37	Self managed - Host	\$13468	\$13505
Building capacity and independence	Developing lifeskills for the future	A person to support me for 2 hours twice a week to partake in activities important to me.	02/03/2026	28/02/2027	770	Hour(s)	Allocated	\$10	Self managed - Host	\$7700	\$7721.15
Building capacity and independence	Building my capability and confidence to support or live with disability	A device that supports greater independence with managing my routines.	02/03/2026	28/02/2027	1	Unit	One-Off	\$1000	Self managed - Host	\$1000	\$1000

Indicative Range

- ▶ Generated from the information entered the OBIR
- ▶ Currently being generated by a DSS team (with some NASC personnel support)
- ▶ This does exactly what it says, indicates the funding range that the My DSS Funding plan can work within. Very little opportunity to go over or under the range.

Pre-Approval

- ▶ Complementary Therapies
 - ▶ Disability Related
 - ▶ Safe and will be of benefit
 - ▶ Recommended by a Registered Health Professional
- ▶ Above Threshold purchases
 - ▶ Disability Related, included in the plan
 - ▶ No similar previous purchases
 - ▶ Would put pressure on the budget, without compromising other support needs
- ▶ Overseas Travel
 - ▶ Within budget and for a stated purpose
 - ▶ Overseas support arranged by disabled person
 - ▶ No more than 3 weeks

IF Tiers

Tier Matrix

This worksheet shows the complete tier matrix.

Tier Logic

Tier	Rating	Experience managing hosted	Total flexible funding	Engagement with host
High	4	Requires a high level of support and guidance from the host	\$112,000+	Unengaged
Medium	3	Requires regular support and guidance from the host	\$37,000 - \$111,999	High dependency
Low	2	Requires some support and guidance from the host	\$15,000 - \$36,999	Engages with prompting
Very Low	1	Rarely requires support or guidance from the host	< \$15,000	Appropriate engagement
Weighting		40%	40%	20%

Tier	Rating	At this Tier the disabled Person/Agent will:	At this Tier the Hosts will:	All Tiers Guidance
High	4	- Require a pre-engagement discussion for all purchases - Require agreement with host for any variation to supports outlined in the Funding Plan - Require prior approval for purchase of one-off items above \$500 - Provide host with receipts for all purchases - Be required to engage with host at least monthly	- Connect monthly with person/agent to review purchases and plan for next period - Proactively provide person/agent with hosted budget support and coaching - Proactively provide person/agent with guidance on meeting employer obligations - Actively coach person/agent on accurate record keeping - Proactively monitor budget against spending to inform monthly engagements	- Prohibited items: drugs, alcohol, tobacco, gambling, illegal activities - Purchases must address barriers linked to disability - Supports available through other government agencies to be explored prior to purchase - Prior approval from Host required for certain purchases, which include (may be included in Funding Plan, but Host gives final approval for spend): - Equipment where there is a material risk of harm - Complementary therapies that are not funded through Health New Zealand - Overseas Travel - Purchase of one-off items over the dollar threshold published in the relevant tiers - Repeat purchase of items of a similar nature or intent, before the expected life of a previously purchased item has expired
Medium	3	- Require prior approval for purchase of one-off items above \$1500 - Claims must align with the purpose the funding was allocated for in the Funding Plan - Provide host with receipts for all items purchased and invoices for independent contractors - Be required to engage with host at least 3-monthly	- Connect 3-monthly with person/agent to review purchases and plan for next period - Provide person/agent with hosted budget support and coaching - Provide guidance to person/agent on meeting employer obligations - Monitor budget against spending	- Person/agent to keep and Hosts to check that good record keeping practices are in place, including but not limited to: receipts, invoices, employment records etc - Person/agent to ensure purchases are within budget and Host to monitor spending against the allocated budget and purpose of the funding - More detailed information on tiers can be found in Host and NASC Operational Policies
Low	2	- Require prior approval for purchase of one-off items above \$1500 - Claims must align with the purpose the funding was allocated for in the Funding Plan - Provide host with receipts for all items purchased and invoices for independent contractors - Be required to engage with host at least 6-monthly	- Connect 6-monthly with person/agent to review purchases and alignment with intent and purpose of funding, and plan for next period - Occasionally connect, if necessary, to provide additional guidance or support managing responsibilities	
Very Low	1	- Require prior approval for purchase of one-off items above \$1500 - Self-verify claims against purpose and supports purchased outlined in the Funding Plan - Provide host with receipts for all items purchased and invoices for independent contractors - Be required to engage with host at least annually	Connect annually (4-6 weeks prior to NASC Review) with person/agent to: review purchases and alignment with intent and purpose of funding, plan for next period, review if additional or more frequent guidance required	