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(03) 477 6211
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(03) 214 4735

You can also contact:

- your local disability information and advisory service
- a Ministry of Health Disability Services Directorate office
- www.moh.govt.nz/disability
- disability@moh.govt.nz
- 0800 DSD MOH (0800 373 664).

Disability Services Directorate offices

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Information on the Disability Services Directorate



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Who we are

The Disability Services Directorate is part of the Ministry of Health.

It is responsible for planning and funding disability support services for people with long-term physical, sensory, and/or intellectual disabilities who meet the eligibility criteria. Most people receiving supports are aged under 65.

It is one of a number of government and non-governmental organisations that fund supports for people with long-term disabilities.

What support services we fund

The Disability Services Directorate funds a range of disability support services to help disabled people and their family and whānau to live as others do in their homes and community. These include:

- disability information advisory services, usually known as DIAS

- home-based services such as personal care and home help
- residential services
- supports for carers in the home and respite services
- supported independent living services.

It also funds environmental support services, such as equipment and modifications, for disabled people of all ages who meet the eligibility criteria.

Where to go for information on support services

You can get information on what disability supports are available from your local needs assessment and service co-ordination (NASC) organisation, which has a key role to help disabled people get support services.

Northland

Disabilities Resource Centre, Whangarei
(09) 430 0988

Auckland

Taikura Trust (INSA) (09) 277 3850

Hamilton

L.I.F.E. Unlimited Charitable Trust
(07) 839 5506

Disability Support Link (07) 839 1441

Bay of Plenty

Support Net, Whakatane (07) 306 0884

Taranaki

Access Ability, New Plymouth
(06) 758 0700

Hawke's Bay

Bay Home Support, Hastings
(06) 870 7485

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Access Ability (06) 348 8411

Palmerston North

Supportlinks
(06) 953 5802 or 0800 221 411

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Focus, Masterton (06) 378 9660