

adult outreach



The Adult Outreach team provides services to adults with physical disabilities who live in the metropolitan Sydney area. Community workers and occupational therapists offer information, learning opportunities and practical assistance for individuals and their families who are concerned with issues of everyday living.

Issues may include:

- Planning for independent living
- Options for respite, transitional and long-term accommodation
- Equipment and home modifications
- Advocacy and self advocacy
- Skill specific training in the home and community, such as budgeting, care management and equipment use
- Information and access to the local community
- Benefit entitlements/pensions
- Referral to other agencies.

Adult Outreach workers usually visit people in their own homes. They assist clients to identify their goals and service needs, working together to establish

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appropriate plans for action. Workers may help resolve a single issue, provide ongoing service coordination and support and/or assist people who are negotiating changes in their lives.

Adult Outreach workers provide occupational therapy, living skills training and other support services for adults living in Northcott Disability Services accommodation services. They also contribute to staff training programs for residential support staff.

The Adult Outreach team responds to general disability-related inquiries from people in the community and other workers and agencies. Team members keep up-to-date with changes in the field and contribute to the development of services for people with disabilities through networking and participation in committees and planning groups.

Eligibility

The Adult Outreach team provides services to adults with physical disabilities which have generally originated prior to adulthood.

Geographical area

Adult Outreach operates within metropolitan Sydney.

Cost

There is no charge for Adult Outreach services.

Funding

The service receives partial funding from the Department of Ageing, Disability and Home Care and is supported by Northcott Disability Services.

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