



northcott
disability services

flexible respite - north



The Flexible Respite Service provides a broad range of high-quality, flexible, support responses tailored to meet the needs of individuals with disabilities and their families/carers. The service addresses the specialised needs of individuals with high support needs due to a severe or/ profound disability or a disabling medical condition. The service works closely with other service providers to deliver a well-coordinated response to service users.

Services

Services may include:

- Day support
- 24-hour support
- Community recreation and participation
- Other options as deemed appropriate to the particular circumstances at the time.

Geographical area

The local government areas of the Northern Region include Hornsby, Hunters Hill, Ku-ring-Gai, Lane Cove, Manly, Mosman, North Sydney, Pittwater, Ryde, Warringah and Willoughby.

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Eligibility

People with a disability (0–65 years) and their families/carers. Disability is broadly defined to include intellectual, physical, acquired brain injury, dual diagnosis and sensory impairment.

Referrals

Families can refer themselves, or with their approval, services can make a referral by phoning the Northcott Flexible Respite Coordinator. Initial information gathering at this point will establish eligibility.

Priority of access

For individuals and their families/carers who are eligible for the service, priority of access will be determined following an assessment of the level of support needs and the extent of existing support provided to the individual and their families/carers.

Cost

The level of fees form part of the Service Agreement and are reviewed as required. Fees are charged at the rate of \$2 per hour of service, up to a maximum of \$30 in any 24-hour period.

Funding

The service is jointly-funded by the Department of Ageing, Disability and Home Care and Northcott Disability Services to provide a service to 33 individuals and their families/carers.

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