

new england region

northcott disability services tamworth office



Northcott Disability Services provides a wide range of services to individuals with disabilities and their families living in the New England/ North West region through its regional office located at Tamworth. Services include individual and family support, centre-based respite options and PSO/Community Participation programs for school-leavers. These services provide much-needed assistance that is often only available in metropolitan areas.

Services

Northcott's regional office in Tamworth offers three main services. They are:

- Individual and Family Support
- Respite Options
- PSO/Community Participation

Geographical area

New England/North West region.

Individual and Family Support

Support is provided to people with a physical disability and their families. Client ages range from infancy to adulthood.

Service includes:

- Individual and family support
- Home visits to families and school visits

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- Advocacy for families and individuals
- Assistance to access community services
- Advice and assistance with acquisition of equipment
- Group programs for all ages such as support groups, parent weekends, sibling groups and personal development
- Provision of information regarding recreational opportunities in the local area
- Throughout the year, staff from Northcott's Computer Assistive Technology Service (CATS) and Northcott Equipment Services (NES) bring their specialised services to rural areas
- Resource library
- Orthotics and spina bifida clinics.

Centre-based Respite

Respite care is provided through centre-based respite located at 27 Ford Street, Tamworth. Excursions to various outings are also made available. Respite care provides children and young adults with physical disabilities with the opportunity to spend time away from home with 24-hour professional care, while giving parents a much-needed break.

PSO/Community Participation

Post School Options (PSO) and Community Participation programs provide opportunities for school-leavers to work towards achieving greater independence, building self-esteem and confidence and participating fully in the life of their community.

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