



Therapy Transition Program: Bankstown, Liverpool and Fairfield

Northcott Disability Services **Bankstown, Liverpool and Fairfield Therapy Transition Program** is a school transition program for pre-school aged children with global developmental delay, who require mainstream school transition support for the following year.

Our team of a speech pathologist, occupational therapist, physiotherapist and psychologist provide a multidisciplinary family centred approach which engages parents/carers in all decisions about their child. The program is consultative with therapists providing functional strategies and supports in order to maximise the client's skills and abilities within their home/preschool and school environments.

Services

- Support child's integration into the pre-school and school system with therapist involvement in the Individual Education Plan
- Speech Pathology services include assessment and implementation of functional communication and safe feeding/swallowing skills
- Occupational Therapist services include assessment and implementation of programs designed to support and promote independent functioning in daily activities (sensory/fine motor/toileting)
- Physiotherapy services include assessment, training and intervention in the areas of the child's physical development and independence in mobility
- Psychology services include assessment and implementation of positive behaviour plans and to support families with their coping capabilities
- Individual and Family Support Plan which addresses the individual needs and goals of the child and his/her family

How often will we get therapy and where will it take place?

Eligible clients will commence this outreach service in their last six months of preschool and conclude in their first six months of kindergarten.

Depending on your child's needs s/he may receive a mixture of service delivery options and frequencies in order to maximise a successful transition into your child's first year at school. Examples of service options are consultative and collaborative, individualised programs and/or group intervention.

Funding

The service is funded by the NSW Government "Stronger Together" funding initiative as a partnership between Northcott Disability Services and the Department of Ageing, Disability and Home Care.

Geographical area

Bankstown, Liverpool and Fairfield areas.

Eligibility

Preschool aged children who have a global developmental delay who:

- live in the Bankstown, Liverpool and Fairfield areas and
- will be commencing a mainstream educational setting (that is, a mainstream kindergarten class in either a government or independent educational system, support class or ASPECT satellite class). Children enrolled in a Special School are not eligible for this program.

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