# Transitions of care

## What you need to know

### A text-only Easy Read fact sheet

## How to use this fact sheet

The NDIS Quality and Safeguards Commission (NDIS Commission)   
wrote this fact sheet.

When you see the word ‘we’, it means the NDIS Commission.

We wrote this fact sheet in an easy to read way.

We have written some words in **bold**.

This means the letters are thicker and darker.

We explain what these words mean.

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This means it only includes the most important information.

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You can ask for help to read this fact sheet.

A friend, family member or support person may be able to help you.

## What is a transition of care?

A **transition of care** is when you move between:

* places you go for care
* different services.

For example, you might move between:

* disability support services

and

* a hospital.

There are risks when people with disability have a transition of care.

So we must make transitions of care safe.

### How can transitions of care be safe?

A safe transition of care needs good communication between:

* you
* the people who support you.

The people who support you can be:

* NDIS workers
* health care workers
* family members or friends
* other supports and services.

The people who support you can help you share information about your health with hospital staff.

This information can be about what:

* medicines you take
* things you may need to bring to hospital
* you need to help you communicate.

The information can also include other details about:

* your health
* other help you may need.

If you know you must go to a hospital for a planned visit, the people who   
support you should talk to hospital staff before the visit.

The people who support you can also help you be ready to come home   
from the hospital.

This includes making a plan for you before you’re ready to go home.

The plan should include if you need to change any supports when you   
leave the hospital.

These supports include:

* health care
* disability supports.

## More information for you

If you want more information about transitions of care, you can go to   
our website – [www.ndiscommission.gov.au/workerresources](http://www.ndiscommission.gov.au/workerresources)

## Contact us

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