



HomePlace Host

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WHAT IS HOMEPLACE HOST?

Homeplace Host is a support service which offers people living with a disability the opportunity to have an experience away from their family where they can make new friendships, be independent, learn new skills and get out and about.

HomePlace has Host workers who offer accommodation and support in their family home to people living with a disability for short periods of time.

The person with a disability is treated like a member of the Host's family and has the opportunity to do things without their parents, access the community independently and learn new skills.

Host Workers will provide all meals while the person is in their care as well as activities either in the home or in the community with the other members of Host's family.

All Host Workers have a current First Aid Certificate, Medication Training and Criminal Record Check. Host Workers also receive training in Behaviour Management and Epilepsy (if required).

HomePlace Host has an allocated Coordinator to oversee and coordinate the stay, whilst ensuring that the Host Worker has the appropriate skills and is a good match to the person being supported.

Who is eligible?

Any person who:

- is aged 18 and over
- lives with a developmental and/or physical disability
- has the funding available to meet the cost of service, for example an NDIS Package

How does it work?

The HomePlace Host Coordinator meets with a potential participant and their family to ascertain what their interests, goals and support needs are. The Coordinator will want to know what the participant wants to get out of the stay, for example, the person may organise all their stays to coincide with the matches played by their favourite basketball team. The HomePlace Host Coordinator will also ascertain the participant's support needs and develop a support plan for the Host Worker to implement.

The HomePlace Host Coordinator would then seek a suitable match based on the information provided and introduce the participant and their family to the potential Host Worker.

If all parties are satisfied with the arrangement, on-going support is arranged between the person with the disability and the Host Worker at the Host's home. The length of stay provided is usually one weekend each month but can be as little or as often as required.

The HomePlace Host Coordinator will make contact with both the family and the Host Worker before and after each stay.

How do I know that the person with a disability is safe?

The HomePlace Host Coordinator is responsible for undertaking a comprehensive Home Safety Assessment to ensure that the host's home is safe and suitable for the person staying.

All Host Workers and any adult family member residing at the home will have a DHS Clearance. All Host Workers will have mandatory training such as Medication, First Aid and CPR in addition to training specific to the person's needs.

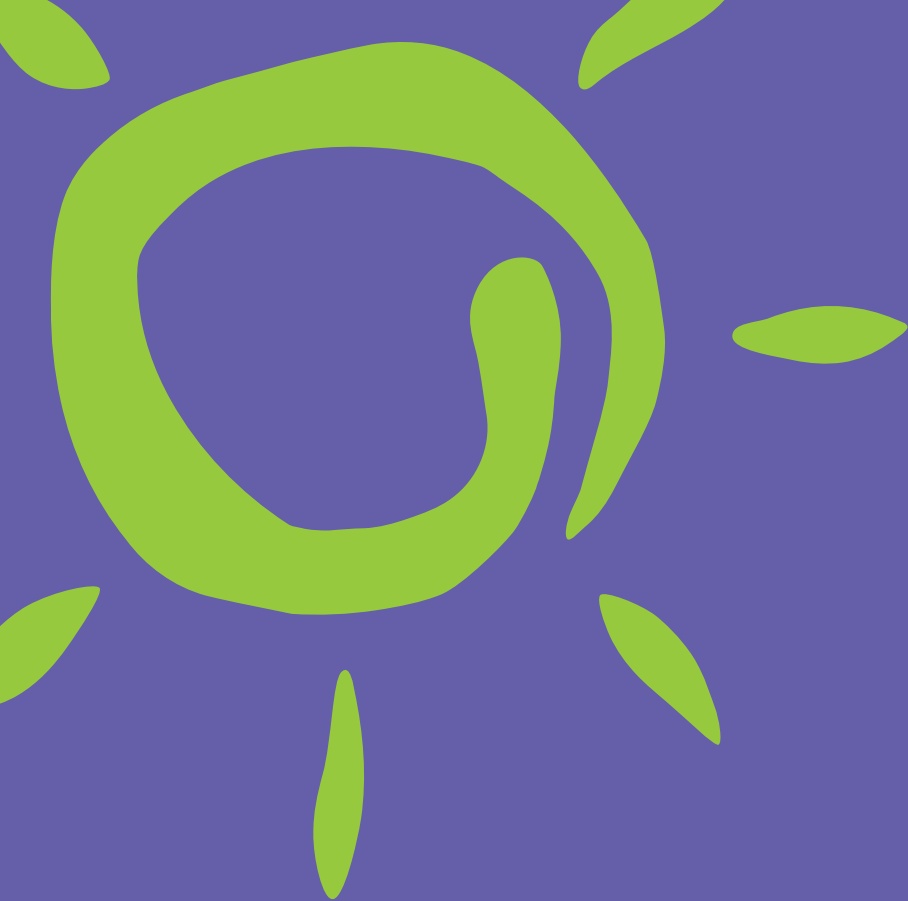
An important aspect of this service is the matching process. All parties need to feel comfortable with the match and the Host Coordinator will facilitate this process.

If you identify an individual for whom you would like to be a Host Worker, we welcome the opportunity to facilitate the match.

How much does it cost?

HomePlace Host is based on the NDIS pricing structure and we will give you a quote based on your loved one's support needs. The price for accommodation and support in a Host's home is usually more affordable than in a paid facility.

We anticipate the cost to be \$1,663.60 for support starting Friday evening to Sunday evening. The cost includes the Host Worker for the 48-hour period, meals in the home and accommodation. The person with a disability will be responsible for recreational costs and costs of meals outside of home.



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Enquiries are welcome from individuals, families and professionals. Please contact HomePlace for further information about the HomePlace Host program.

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