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Financial and other support for people with disability, illness or injury

You can let people in your community know about these supports while they're looking for work or working.

Financial support

Income support payments

People with disability, illness or injury may be able to claim any of these income support payments, depending on their circumstances:

- JobSeeker Payment
- Youth Allowance for job seekers
- Disability Support Pension.

While they wait for the outcome of their claim, we also have resources that can help them manage their bills if they've recently become unemployed. They may also be eligible to get a lump sum of money for essentials.

For more information, go to servicesaustralia.gov.au/recently-unemployed

Mobility Allowance

A payment to help people with travel costs if their disability, illness or injury means they can't use public transport. To get this allowance, they must meet residence rules and:

- be 16 years or older
- be unable to use public transport without a lot of help
- have disability, illness, or injury
- need to travel for study, training, work, or to look for work
- not be getting a funded package of support through NDIS.

For more information about eligibility, including how much they can get, how to claim and how to keep their allowance, go to servicesaustralia.gov.au/mobility-allowance

Working Credit

A person can get a Working Credit if they're working and get certain income support payments from us, such as Disability Support Pension or JobSeeker Payment. Working Credit increases how much they can earn before we start reducing their payments.

They can build up a maximum of 48 Working Credits each fortnight. The maximum number of total credits will depend on which payment they get from us.

For more information, go to servicesaustralia.gov.au/working-credit and select the relevant payment to check how it may impact them.

Work bonus

Work Bonus can help people of Age Pension age who still want to work to keep more of their pension if they get one of these payments:

- Disability Support Pension
- Carer Payment
- Age Pension.

Work Bonus reduces the amount of their employment income that counts towards the income test for their pension.

Each payment has different rules. If they get Disability Support Pension or Carer Payment, they still need to meet the normal work rules for those payments.

For more information, go to servicesaustralia.gov.au/work-bonus

NDIS support

The National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) can provide funding to eligible people with disability.

If a person with disability is getting support through the NDIS, employment support may be funded through their NDIS Plan.

For more information, search for 'supported employment' on the NDIS website at ndis.gov.au

Other support

Job Access

The JobAccess service provides employment support for people with disability, illness or injury. It provides free, confidential and accessible information and advice through the JobAccess website. There's also a telephone advice line for people with disability and employers.

JobAccess can help people with disability build skills, prepare for interviews, access information about talking about their disability at work, understand their rights at work, and apply for jobs.

For more information, they can call **1800 464 800** to talk with a JobAccess Advisor, or read about other disability employment support on the JobAccess website at jobaccess.gov.au

Disability Gateway employment resources

The Disability Gateway connects people with disability to a range of services. They provide support and information for all people with disability, their families and carers. The Gateway includes information on employment training, finding and keeping a job and employment rights.

Read more about employment on the Disability Gateway at disabilitygateway.gov.au