

#### More information

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#### **Quick contacts**

All services and NDIS 1300 637 744 (MERRI H)

Carer support 1800 422 737

Victims Assistance **Program** 1300 362 739

My Aged Care\* 1800 200 422

**Feedback** 03 9389 2234 We have many sites across Victoria. Visit our website merrihealth.org.au for all site details and contact numbers.

\*My Aged Care is the first point of contact for aged care services.

# **Contact**

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# MerriHealth **Disability**Services



Giving opportunity to people with a disability to live life to the full, with flexible health services and greater choices.



# **Health services**

Under the NDIS, health services are referred to as 'Allied Health'.

Support from an occupational therapist, speech pathologist and dietician for people with all types of disabilities. We offer face-to-face appointments and assessments in your home or at a suitable location. We can support with home modifications, assistive technology, referrals to other servies, easy to read reports for your NDIS planner or Local Area Coordinator, and functional assessments to build your capacity and independence.

# **Exercise physiology**

This service supports older people and those with a disability to stay active. We can help with an exercise assessment and provide recommendations tailored for you, health education and disease management. We can also help you learn how to exercise safely in settings such as local leisure centres and gyms.

#### Occupational therapy (ndis



This service will help make it easier for you to undertake daily activities. Occupational therapists provide assessment and advice to help people achieve maximum mobility and comfort at home. This may include installing equipment to help you feel safe and prevent falls.

#### **Physiotherapy**

Physiotherapy can help with movement and getting around, injuries and/or pain conditions. A physiotherapist can provide home-based exercise programs or may recommend water exercises, gentle gym classes and chair-based classes.

#### **Podiatry**

Podiatrists can help prevent and treat foot, ankle and lower leg problems. They can provide information on how to avoid problems and advise on foot care and footwear.



#### Speech pathology



This service can help with communication and swallowing problems. People who have a disability or long-term illness and those who are frail aged can access this service. A speech pathologist can visit the client at home, if needed.

# Social groups

Our social groups are known as Social Support Programs and help older people, people with memory loss and people with disabilities to stay healthy and active. We run the Healthy Mind Hub which are interesting and fun activities at our sites and within the community, such as walking groups, exercise classes, book clubs and social outings. These are tailored to people's needs, interests and culture. These activities promote physical activity, staying connected with the community, emotional wellbeing, and building or maintaining daily skills and

The Healthy Mind Hub runs from Monday to Friday.



Merri Health creates healthy, connected communities through local health services for people at every age and stage of life.

We know that at different times, your health needs change. That's why we support you throughout life, with services spanning from children's health to aged care.



#### **NDIS** made easy

Merri Health provides many services under the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) as it rolls out across Victoria. This includes:

#### Allied health

Support from an occupational therapist, speech pathologist and dietitian for people with all types of disabilities. We offer face-to-face appointments and assessments in your home or at a location that suits you, home modifications, Assistive Technology, referrals to other services, easy to read reports for your NDIS planner or Local Area Coordinator, and functional assessments to build your capacity and independence.

#### **MerriKids**

MerriKids support children with a developmental delay and/or disabilities, and their families. Providing early childhood intervention, our team works in partnership with you to develop strategies to support the health and wellbeing of your child.

# **Support coordination**

A skilled and experienced worker will help you identify, coordinate and meet your needs. We will work in partnership with you to help you access the supports and services you want and need to live a fulfilling and happy life.

This could involve staying connected with your community, finding the right services for you and identifying your needs to ensure your personal goals are met. We will support you when you make decisions about your health to ensure the best outcomes for your personal situation.

#### Mental health

The Healthy Mind Hub offers community group activities tailored to suit your needs, your strengths and your interests.

### Would you like to know more?

Call or email our team to talk about your needs.



1300 637 744 (MERRI H)



NDIS@merrihealth.org.au

# Healthcare that moves with you



#### **Wellness at Home**

Our Wellness at Home program helps frail older people and people with dementia, who have complex and/or changing needs and their carers. It supports you to live in your home and community for as long as possible.

#### Developmental delay and disability

MerriKids (ndis



MerriKids support children aged 0-8 years that have a developmental delay and/or disability, and their families. This is known as early childhood intervention services and is National Disability Insurance Scheme approved.

We support your child to learn, develop and reach their full potential. We'll work with your family when and where it suits you, including at home, at childcare, in kindergarten or school and in other community settings. Our team includes early childhood teachers, speech pathologists, occupational therapists and a physiotherapist.

## Mental health

The Healthy Mind Hub is a place to improve your mental health and get the most out of life. This service is offered under the NDIS. See the left column for more information.

# **Support Coordination (ndis**



We can help you coordinate your services under the NDIS and ensure you are able to access the supports and services you need. See the left column for more

#### **Disability Support Program**

We provide the opportunity for people with a disability to participate in fun and interesting activities.

Programs are offered on Friday evenings and Saturdays. Special weekday activities, school holiday programs and family camps are also available.

The Disability Support Program runs on Friday and Saturday nights.

#### Costs

Our services are either free or require a small fee. To find out whether there is a fee for a service, visit our website www.merrihealth.org.au and search for 'fees' or call 1300 637 744.

Merri Health is an inclusive service provider. We are committed to providing safe and high quality services that respect the needs, wants and aspirations of all people.

