

GETTING THE NDIS BACK ON TRACK

# CLOTHING, ACCESSORIES AND COSMETICS

Clothing, accessories and cosmetics are an everyday part of life. These expenses are mainstream costs that everyone has to pay and are not likely to be due to your disability. This document goes through the new list with the supports that can and cannot be claimed by the NDIS following the changes coming into place from 3 October 2024.

Some very specific things may be able to be claimed, but it depends on your situation and your NDIS plan. You can learn more about these items below.

In this document, we will discuss some of the items that can and cannot be claimed from your NDIS funding as well as provide some information on other places or services that can provide some assistance.

## Supports that are NDIS

The NDIS funds a range of supports that are related to a person’s disability. This can include modified clothing, orthotics and incontinence products.

What will and will not be funded depends on your disability and needs so it is important to discuss this with your NDIS planner. Some items will need to have an assessment and may also need to be included in the capital funding category of your NDIS plan.



**The supports listed below are likely able to be claimed from NDIS funding.**

Specialised footwear or orthotics	Can include customised and/or custom-made prosthetic and orthotics. Items over \$1500.00 will need to have an assessment and be included in a participant’s plan for capital.
Body orthotic - Dynamic or Lycra	Elastane-based or other orthoses for the full body (excluding head) Designed to improve functioning. This item would need to be written in a participant's NDIS plan as considered a capital item.
Contenance Products	Individualised continence products. These may only be claimed for participants with a disability diagnoses and have had an assessment and is confirmed in the plan to be claimed
Washable incontinence pants	Single-piece garments that can be washed and reused, or underpants have padding or other material to absorb moisture, e.g. from urine.

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Modified or adaptive clothing	Including clothing and modified products to manage menstruation

## Supports that are not NDIS



The supports listed below have been identified as items or services that the NDIS is unable to pay for.

This includes Jewellery, smart watches, cosmetic treatments, hair services and nail care.

Standard clothing and footwear is an everyday cost that everyone needs to pay for so this is also not able to be claimed.

### The supports listed below are not able to be claimed from your plan.

Jewellery, watches (including smart watches)	While smartwatches can have some functional uses, they are often not deemed necessary for managing disabilities compared to other assistive technologies. Jewellery is considered an everyday cost. Any smart device used for tracking purposes could be considered a restrictive practice.
Makeup, cosmetic treatments, wigs, and cosmetics products	Some of these items may be able to be claimed from the health system
Standard (non-modified and non-adaptive) clothing and footwear	Clothing and footwear are considered an everyday living cost that's not due to a person's disability support needs.
Chewable Jewellery	This includes necklaces, charms and pendants
Hair treatments	This includes hair cutting, dying, styling, extensions, threading, weaving, hair replacements and transplants, wigs
Manicures	This includes pedicures, false nail application or removal of any kind, nail painting and removal, nail decorations, nail piercings, hand or foot massage or treatments
Body art	This includes body piercings, tattoo services, and henna.

## Supports that may be funded by the NDIS

Some supports may be funded by the NDIS depending on the person's disability and needs.

Discussions with your planner are always recommended before purchasing these supports.



**The supports listed below may be able to be claimed from your plan.**

Medical Alert Bracelet	If the alert on the bracelet is important information regarding your disability and not a health related condition.
Calming Compression Clothing	Calming compression clothing like singlets and tops.