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Webinar summary:

A guide to Specialist Disability Accommodation (SDA)

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MyIntegra hosted this webinar in collaboration with leading NDIS Accommodation Providers, Sana Living.

Guest speaker and Chief Operating Officer at Sana Living, Adam Sargent has over 20 years of experience in healthcare as a Physiotherapist and in residential construction management.

Throughout his career he has gained a breadth of experience working with people with disability and in the overall management, design and construction of disability accessible homes.

This webinar covers the following key areas:

- Understanding SDA
- SDA Design Categories
- SDA Eligibility
- Design Features
- SDA Innovation
- Choosing a Provider
- Navigating the SDA Process

What is Specialist Disability Accommodation?

SDA is housing that has been specially designed or modified to suit the needs of people who have an extreme functional impairment or very high support needs.



Specialist Disability
Accommodation (SDA)
refers to physical
accommodation and
does not incorporate the
supports received.

It is anticipated by the NDIA that approximately 30,000 people are eligible for SDA nationally and may ultimately reside in SDA.

Dwelling types:

- Apartments
- Villas/Townhouses
- Houses (2 or 3 people)
- Group Homes (4 or 5 people)

SDA design categories

Improved Liveability

To improve 'liveability' by incorporating a reasonable level of physical access and enhanced provision for people with sensory, intellectual or cognitive impairment

Robust

Very resilient, reducing the likelihood of reactive maintenance and reducing the risk to the participant and the community.

Fully Accessible

To incorporate a high level of physical access provision for people with significant physical impairment.

High Physical Support

Housing designed to incorporate a high level of physical access provision for people with significant physical impairment and requiring very high levels of support



Eligibility critera

To qualify for SDA you must have:

- Extreme functional impairment
- Very high support needs

NDIA will assess whether mainstream housing or minor modifications won't meet the needs of a participant.

SDA funding provided for level of support needed:

- High Physical Support
- Fully Accessible
- Robust
- Improved Liveability

Types of SDA funding

Shared living arrangement: can live in close proximity to others if sharing, and compatible with housemates.

Sole occupancy living arrangement: will they be a suitable neighbour for other people with disability

Considerations for choosing an SDA provider:

- Maintenance / gardening
- Pets
- Lease / RTA (length of time, conditions)
- · Rental contribution
- Furniture supplied or not
- Separation of services (housing vs care provision)

The below is the method Sana Living follow to facilitate choice and control during the process of choosing an SDA provider in a shared setting:





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