



WORKABILITY QLD

BUILDING TOMORROW'S NDIS WORKFORCE

National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) in Queensland

The NDIS will be progressively rolled out across Queensland over three years from July 2016 to June 2019.

Under the NDIS the number of Queenslanders receiving disability supports is expected to double to around 97,000 by 2019. This is expected to create up to 13,000 additional full-time jobs, and inject approximately \$4 billion per year into the Queensland economy between 2016 and 2019.

Why a Workforce Strategy is needed

The progressive increase in demand and available options for people with disability and the increased investment under the NDIS will require significant growth in the number of workers across the sector and in the range of skills and abilities required to meet new demand, needs and expectations.

A strategic approach is required to meet not only the immediate challenges associated with ensuring adequate workforce supply and capability, but also the capacity and capability of providers to be able to respond, grow and sustain the required workforce into the future. The changing market context under the NDIS will not only mean a significant increase in the number and capability of workers required in the disability sector, but will also require a transformation of the sector as a whole.

About the Strategy

WorkAbility Qld has been developed by a consortium of peak bodies in collaboration with key government agencies. The consortium includes:

- Health and Community Services Workforce Council (Workforce Council)
- National Disability Services (NDS)
- Community Services Industry Alliance (CSIA)
- Queensland Council of Social Services (QCOSS)

The strategy aims to work collaboratively with the sector, government and the National Disability Insurance Agency (NDIA) to meet the identified needs of the sector in Queensland, and to build the sector workforce supply and capability to meet demand under the NDIS.

Through the Strategy the workforce will have the opportunity to access support and training, as well as workforce data and intelligence that will help to build knowledge and skills and enable organisations to effectively plan their workforce to meet the needs and demands of the sector into the future.

WorkAbility Qld provides real benefits for people, linking them with exciting and valued work and careers and builds community through social and economic opportunity.



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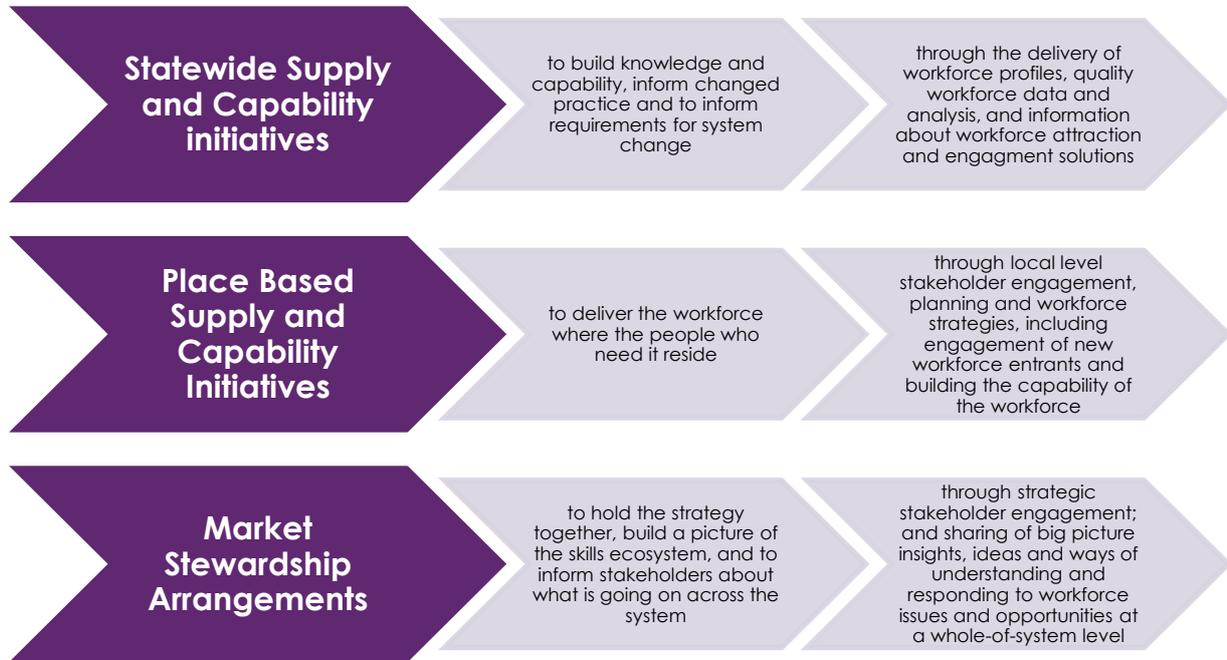
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Key Priorities

WorkAbility Qld will provide both local and state-wide workforce solutions and will build on the sector's existing strengths and networks across the state. The Strategy has been designed to enable **local workforce solutions for local needs** through partnership and collaboration with key stakeholders to ensure Queensland has the right people, with the right skills, in the right place, at the right time to achieve full implementation of the NDIS by July 2019. In order to meet these key priorities, the strategy will deliver:



For more information on the strategy please call one of the consortia partners:

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National Disability Services Queensland – (07) 3828 9400

Community Services Industry Alliance – (07) 3180 1360

Queensland Council of Social Services – (07) 3004 6900



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