

KEY WORKER MODEL

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What is a Key Worker?

- At Xavier, families can choose to receive a Key Worker approach
- This approach is recommended by the NDIA as best-practice for early childhood early intervention (ECEI)
- The Key Worker may also act as a Transdisciplinary Therapist (see fact sheet)

What are the Benefits of Having a Key Worker?

- A Key Worker is an allied health professional (e.g. Occupational Therapist, Speech Pathologist, Physiotherapist) who works in partnership with you and is your “go to person” regarding therapy services and any changes or issues
- The therapist liaises with other members of your team to gather information and advice regarding how best to meet your child’s goals. They can then work with you to develop and monitor your Therapy Plan including prioritising goals, budgeting funding and therapy consultation

- The Key Worker can also work with the family and other stakeholders (such as childcare, school, medical professionals) to set appropriate goals and coordinate how therapy supports will be delivered
- This model is particularly beneficial for children and families with complex needs
- There is a high level of consistency with this model that will reduce the need for you to have to provide the same information to multiple therapists
- Your Key Worker can assist you to navigate services, access resources and advocate for your child

How is the Key Worker Model Funded?

- Under the NDIS, a Key Worker is funded from therapy under ‘Improved Daily Living’
- Funding can be allocated to activities such as, but not limited to:
 - Direct therapy delivery
 - Meeting with you or other team members to discuss your child’s needs and progress
- Phone or email consultation with you or others on your behalf
 - Organising and/or writing NDIS review reports
 - Arranging and attending meetings with you

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