
















Family Support Facilitation

The purpose of the Family Support Program (FSP) is to provide flexible, responsive support for families who have high and complex needs providing care for a child with disabilities aged 0 - 18 years. These supports are designed to strengthen a family's ability to care for their child or children with disabilities as well as continue to care for all their family members.

The Family Support Program (FSP) aims to:

-  *Strengthen the capacity of families to provide the day to day care of their child with a disability;*
-  *Build formal and informal supports around families to meet the needs and priorities of family members and increase the capacity of families to maintain the care of their child with a disability;*
-  *Increase the inclusion of children with disabilities and their families in mainstream community life; and*
-  *Work collaboratively and in partnership with families in the identification of need and provision of supports and services.*

A FSP Facilitator works in partnership with families to:

-  *Plan and coordinate supports;*
-  *Provide information and resources to assist families in their decisions and choices;*
-  *Identify strengths and needs, current and future;*
-  *Develop a range of flexible support options that work for the family;*
-  *Access supports, informal and formal through local services;*
-  *Advocate and negotiate with existing services;*
-  *Provide personal support for families;*
-  *Access discretionary funds when other ways of providing supports are not available; and*
-  *Develop Individual Support Plans that identify strategies and links to resources to meet the identified needs of families.*

To be eligible for the Family Support Program (FSP), families must be in receipt of a recurrent grant (band of support funding) provided by Disability Services Queensland through a regional panel selection and allocation process. Xavier receives an individual grant which includes the resources required to pay a facilitator who works with the family, and discretionary funds available to assist the family.



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