



Participant Charter

Sunnysights Independent Living (Sunnysights) respects and commits to upholding the rights of all people, including those with disabilities.

Sunnysights is also committed to ensuring you are aware of your rights and responsibilities and are supported to exercise them.

In supporting NDIS clients to exercise their rights, we must comply with the United Nations Universal Declaration of Human Rights, United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child, United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, National Disability Insurance Scheme Act 2013, and NDIS Practice Standards (2018) - Rights and Responsibilities.

You have the right to access supports that:

- Promote, uphold and respect your legal and human rights;
- Respect your culture, diversity, values, and beliefs;
- Respect and protect your dignity and right to privacy;
- Are free from violence, abuse, neglect, exploitation, or discrimination.

You have the right to exercise informed choice and control.

In relation to the supports we provide; it is our responsibility to:

- Tell you about and uphold your rights;
- Provide supports in a way that promotes, upholds, and respects your rights to freedom of expression self-determination and decision-making;
- Support you to make informed choices, exercise control and maximise your independence in relation to the supports we provide;
- Respect your autonomy, including your right to intimacy and sexual expression;
- Provide you sufficient time to consider and review your support options and seek advice if required, at any stage of our service delivery;
- Support you to access an advocate (including an independent advocate) of your choosing;

- Support you to engage with your family, friends and chosen community in the ways you want to;
- Treat you fairly, with courtesy, dignity, and respect and without discrimination;
- Give you information about our services and associated costs, as well as other support options, within and outside Sunnysights Service;
- Involve you in decisions about your supports, as well as our programs and policies;
- Provide services that consider and respect your lifestyle, cultural, linguistic, and religious background, and preferences;
- Protect your personal information and only use it for the right reasons;
- Support you to provide us with feedback on our service, including complaints;
- Promptly address enquiries and complaints about the supports you are receiving;
- Support you to connect with other services, including advocates, interpreters, and translators, if needed;
- Support you to have a person to speak on your behalf for any purpose; and
- Provide safe and appropriate services that are culturally relevant and support your needs and goals.

As our client, we ask that you:

- Provide us with information that will help us to best support you;
- Tell us if things change or you cannot keep an appointment or commitment;
- Act respectfully and safely towards other people using the service, and towards our staff;
- Provide us with feedback about our service and how we can improve;
- Promptly pay the agreed fees associated with your services; and
- Tell us as early as possible if our services are not required.

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