Fact sheet

NASC fiscal envelope and EGL site budget methodology

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This fact sheet follows the Government's recent announcement of the Independent Review of the Disability Support System.

It explains how indicative budgets for NASCs and fixed budgets for EGL sites have been calculated and will be reinstated, as outlined in Recommendation 1 of the review.

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Budget methodology

In Budget 2024, the Government provided additional funding of \$1.1 billion to support the delivery of Disability Support Services. The Budget also established funding for Disability Support Services for the 2024/25 year.

Against this background, budgets have been calculated with a starting point of NASC and EGL site spend in 2023/24, with additional funding from Budget 2024 going to support growth for community based supports.

NASC and EGL site budgets

NASCs and EGL sites are required to manage within an overall budget for supports. This budget includes a specific component for residential care, as per <u>Recommendation 2</u> of the review.

Each NASC and EGL site has a budget that is greater than their spend in 2023/24. To manage within budget, NASCs will need to ensure future funding decisions are carefully managed.



Funding managed by NASCs and EGL sites

NASCs and EGL sites manage funding for supports paid via CCPS. The spend relating to these supports will be reflected against the NASC/EGL site budget.

This includes:

- Facility-based supports, which includes community residential care in group homes and in aged care, facility-based respite care, contract board, and foster care
- Community-based supports, which includes: household management, personal care, supported living, and other similar supports
- Flexible supports, which includes: IF Household Management, IF Personal Care, IF Respite, EIF, Carer Supports, and Personal Budget services (including EGL Personal Budgets).

Note: these items and other similar costs will be reported against the NASC and EGL site budgets.

Funding managed nationally

The spend relating to these supports will not be reflected against the NASC and EGL site budgets.

Supports allocated by NASCs and funded nationally include:

- behaviour support
- Oranga Tamariki packages
- supports paid via CMS.

Supports funded nationally:

- environmental supports, including equipment, hearing aids, and cochlear implants.
- connecting costs, including the costs of the NASC and DIAS contracts.
- child development services
- supports under the High and Complex Framework, including Secure Forensic Care, and RIDSAS.

Ancillary costs funded nationally:

- sleepover top-up payments
- pay equity for residential care
- in-between travel.

To support the sustainability of the disability system, NASCs and EGL sites are expected to manage all allocations carefully, regardless of where they are funded.





