[ Transcript - Pathways to employment ]

Narrator - If one of your goals is to get a job there are many ways that you can do this.

There are a lot of employment options depending on your needs and personal goals.

Even if you can only work a few hours a week, supports are available to achieve this.

In this video we will discuss some of your options to get ready and find a job.

Some of the employment options include:

NDIS funding, including School Leaver Employment Supports.

And support to work in Australian Disability Enterprises and social enterprises.

We will also talk about how the NDIS can help you with your employment goals.

Disability Employment Services, also known as 'DES' is the main employment service for people with a disability looking for work.

If you are already thinking about the job you want to do and are ready to start looking for work, a DES provider might be the next best step for you.

To help you prepare for work and support you in the workplace for as long as it is required.

DES providers can assist you to get ready for work by helping with a resume, interview skills, and work experience.

They can also make direct contact with employers about suitable jobs.

You can find more about what services a DES provider can offer at www.jobaccess.gov.au

( Title on screen ) NDIS funding

Some participants may not meet the eligibility criteria for a disability employment service and may need more or different support over a longer period of time.

Employment supports won't be the same for everybody.

so it's important that you have a conversation with your Local Area Coordinator, NDIS Planner or Support Coordinator about your employment goals so your supports can be tailored to your individual needs.

( Title on screen ) School Leaver Employment Supports

School Leaver Employment Supports, also known as SLES is funding for people leaving school that can be used to help you build your skills and confidence in areas where you need help.

It may be funded in your plan for up to two years.

You can find more detailed information and case studies about SLES on the NDIS website.

( Title on screen ) Australian Disability Enterprises and social enterprises.

Australian Disability Enterprises also known as ADE's are one of a range of employment opportunities for people with moderate to high support needs.

Some participants will have employment support needs that mean they need a bit more help on the job to be able to fully participate in work.

This is sometimes called 'Supported Employment' and is typically available in ADE's.

Supported Employment may also help people gain training and experience to confidently step into less supported or different employment.

If you would like more information about how and where you can work using reasonable and neccessary employment supports in your plan

Talk to your planner or Local Area Coordinator about your work goals.

You could also research what ADE's are in your local area through the 'Buyability' website - buyability.org.au/find

( Title on screen ) How the NDIS can help you achieve your employment goals.

There are lots of ways the NDIS can help you to plan for employment.

Sometimes it will be providing information about services that are already available in your community, like a disability employment services provider.

Support to work in an ADE, or Social Enterprise or to undertake volunteering opportunities may be funded in your plan.

If you're finishing school you may have School Leaver Employment Supports funded in your plan.

Finding the right job is all about taking the right steps, at the right time, with the right supports.

The 'Let's talk about work' booklet will help you to set your goals and record the information your Local Area Coordinator or Planner will need to understand your employment pathway and support needs.

Your Planner, Local Area Coordinator or Support Coordinator can talk with you about what supports you will need to achieve your employment goals.

Even if it takes a little while to get there.

For more information: visit ndis.gov.au or phone 1800 800 110