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We have released a research report called "Having a go: Making individualised living a reality".

The research focuses on supports NDIS participants use to build their capacity to work towards their home and living goals. The research is part of our work to develop a new approach to home and living.

We partnered with Scope to do the research. A panel of NDIS participants, family and carers also advised us.

The research focused on adult NDIS participants with:

- Autism
- Cerebral palsy
- Down syndrome
- Intellectual disability
- Psychosocial disability

We identified 4 key areas for action that can help participants work towards achieving their home and living goals:

- 1. It is important to provide opportunities for NDIS participants to explore home and living options early and at different life stages and with clear and accessible information.
- 2. Enabling NDIS participants to have a go at trialling different options increases their confidence and shifts expectations and helps them to understand what best meets their needs.
- 3. Formal and informal supports to build, practice and maintain skills increase the home and living options available to participants.
- 4. Flexible NDIS plans can support participants to build capacity at different stages in their life.

Read the full research report here. A summary and easy read version are also available.

For any questions about the research, contact <u>research@ndis.gov.au</u>.

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