

"I always knew that I wanted my son to have the same opportunities as everyone else — to live independently, have a job and experience the usual rites of passage associated with adulthood. We just needed to work out how to achieve it."

Janie Chan, Manager ACD Educate and mum to young man with disability

ACD CONNECT is a free peer support network for families seeking to manage their child's supports to achieve a fulfilling and purposeful life.

But it will be years before NDIS will be in my region!

Much of what you learn in ACD CONNECT will be useful to you **NOW**. The knowledge and skills gained from these sessions can be applied to your current situation whatever funding or supports your child has.

What will I learn?

- > Navigating the system before the NDIS roll out
- > Setting goals and planning
- Managing your funding and support
- > Advocating for your child
- > Developing community connections
- Introduction to the NDIS the basics

Is ACD CONNECT for me?

- ✓ Are you the parent or carer of a child with a disability aged 0–18
- ✓ Do you want to learn how to plan, manage and direct your child's services and supports?
- ✓ Are you keen to connect with other families in your community?

ACD CONNECT: Shepparton

Session Dates: Wednesdays 20th April, 4th May, 18th May, 1st June, 15th June, 13th July,

27th July and 10th August

Time: 6.30pm – 8.30pm

Venue: Mooroopna Education and Activity Centre, 23 Alexandra St Mooroopna

To register: Contact Nicole O'Brien on 0484 856 976 or nicoleo@acd.org.au

Light refreshments will be provided. ACD members will be given preference in event of over booking.

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