Deaf Community FACT SHEET



WHAT IS NICSS?

NICSS is short for:

National Interpreting and Communication ServiceS.

NICSS provides interpreters for any situations for people who use sign language.

Types of interpreters:

- Auslan Interpreters
- Tactile Interpeters (for deafblind)
- Deaf Interpreters (for Deaf people who need additional communication support)

Who benefits?

- · Deaf adults and children
- Deafblind people
- Hearing people (including family members)

WHAT CAN NICSS DO FOR ME?

We can provide interpreters for:

- Hospital
- Police or court or solicitor
- Going to see someone to help with money, house mortgage or loans
- Help to understand written letters or documents
- School
- Workplace
- · Conference of public events
- · ..and lots more. Just ask us!

IS NICSS FREE?

No, NICSS is not free. Ask the person you are meeting with to call NICSS for an Interpreter or contact us yourself. We will give a quote.

CAN I USE NICSS IF I HAVE NATIONAL DISABILITY INSURANCE SCHEME MONEY?

Yes! NICSS can provide interpreters for National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS), so you can ask NICSS for interpreters. We can provide interpreters for appointments, planning meetings and things you need interpreters for in your NDIS Plan.

You can let the people know you want NICSS to provide the interpreters or you can contact us yourself.

WHY SHOULD I ASK NICSS FOR AN INTERPRETER?

- 1. All interpreters are NAATI qualified
- 2. Over 500 registered interpreters
- 3. 6 ways to make NICSS booking

CONTACT US

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