

Individualised Funding For DHB's

What is Individualised Funding?

Individualised Funding (IF) is a payment mechanism for disability supports. IF can give you more choice, control and flexibility as you decide how, when, and who provides your support.

How does IF work?

Under IF your allocated support hours are translated into an annual budget. You choose how to spend your budget. You will need to develop a personal plan around what you want your life to look like and how you're going to achieve this. You are responsible for purchasing the support you need, employing staff, and all the responsibilities that go along with being an employer. Manwanui will support you in your journey as a contracted IF Host Provider.

What does Manawanui do?

Manawanui is a contracted IF Host Provider. This means we will support you to manage your funds. We can support you as little or much as you want from helping you to recruit and employ staff if you would like us to, as well as manage payment of those staff.



of new things, I'm learning to be more independent, which is my main goal. I'm just really enjoying my life.**

What can IF be used for?

IF can currently only be used for purchasing Home and Community Support Services (HCSS) from your DHB

HCSS includes:

Personal Care - services that assist you with activities such as using the bathroom, transfers, assistance with eating or drinking.

Household Management - services which assist you to maintain, organise and control your household or home environment such as cleaning, laundry respite, and meal preparation.

What can't IF be used for?

IF can not be used to purchase:

- Disability supports that are fully or partly funded by other government or public organisations, such as therapies or Work & Income.
- Anything that a non-disabled person would be expected to pay for, such as rent, bills, alcohol & tobacco.
- Paying family members who live with you.
- Illegal activities.
- Repayment of debts.

Is IF for you?

We suggest that you discuss IF with your family, a support person or with one of our local representatives before you make a final decision. When you are ready – we will talk to you about the way a hosted IF arrangement works and your responsibilities in the process.

Can I get IF?

If you are assessed as eligible for DHB funded disability supports, IF could be an option for you.

You will need to talk to your DHB and ask for a referral to Manawanui.

Where can I get more infomation?

For more information about Individualised Funding go to www.manawanui.org.nz.

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