

Early Intervention Helping Children with Autism (HCWA) Autism Advisor Program, up to 7 years

This is the early intervention component of the federal governments Helping Children with Autism (HCWA) package. The aim of the Autism Advisor Program is to help families and carers of children ages 0-6 yrs*, that are formally diagnosed with an ASD.

The Autism Advisors can link families into ASD trained early intervention service panel providers and provide advice and information about their local community.

Is there a central point I can call to find out more?

Enquiry Line ph 1800 289 177

How do I apply?

1. Obtain a formal diagnosis
2. Apply for this funding before your child turns 6 years old.
3. Contact the Autism Advisor in your state
4. Complete necessary paperwork and return
5. Find out if you have been successful
6. Utilise your funding with approved providers

* Families and carers can access this service up to the age of 7 years so long as they have registered with the Autism Advisor Program by their 6th birthday.

Who is the contact in Victoria?

Autism Advisors at Autism Victoria

Ph 1300 424 499

[Autism Victoria HCWA WebPages](#)

[The Victorian Helping Children with Autism Brochure](#)

[Newsletter](#): Sign up to receive the AV Autism Advisor Newsletter

[View Autism Victoria AA Channel](#)

Who is the contact in NSW?

Autism Advisors at ASPECT

Ph 1300 978 611

[ASPECT HCWA WebPages](#)

[ASPECT Information Sheet. Application Form & Consent Form](#)

[ASPECT Application Steps](#)

What therapists can I use my funding for?

Therapists must be approved providers of the Helping Children with Autism package. You can find up to date information about approved Victorian providers online at:

http://www.fahcsia.gov.au/sa/disability/progserv/people/autism_panel/vic/Pages/default.aspx

Or you can contact your Autism Advisor to find out more.

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