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NDIS BRINGS ONE OF WA'S OLDEST CHARITIES TO BUNBURY

Senses Australia has continued to support people of all ages with disability for over 122 years. The not for profit, is looking forward to offering its comprehensive range of disability services to people living in the Bunbury region, when the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) rolls out in October 2018.

Jodi Perkin, Senses Australia's Manager, Client Experience says Senses Australia is a registered NDIS provider and is available to offer support and guidance.

"Your NDIS journey is a very important one and Senses Australia is offering free workshops to help people with disability feel empowered and prepared for when the NDIS starts.

"We are here to support you by helping you think about what you want your life to look like and the supports you may need to help you achieve your goals. This can help you feel prepared for your NDIS planning meeting," says Jodi.

Senses Australia began providing services to people living in the Lower South West of Western Australia last year.

"Our therapy teams and support worker services, based out of our Busselton and Margaret River offices enable our clients to predominately access occupational therapy, speech pathology, physiotherapy, psychology and social work services. We also provide support worker services to some of our clients, enabling them to access their community to encourage social inclusion and provide support in their own homes to encourage their independence," says Jodi.

Senses Australia is offering a series of free workshops from Monday, 25 June 2018 to Tuesday, 26 June 2018 to enable people with disability, their families and carers feel prepared for the NDIS. The workshops are available to anyone who lives in Bunbury and surrounding areas and will be held at Hay Park Community Hall, Bunbury.

The workshops will cover an introduction to the NDIS, NDIS eligibility, registering with the NDIS, NDIS planning/goal setting processes, using your funding to choose a service provider and preparing for the NDIS planning meeting.

"You can choose to attend either a group workshop, an individual session or both," says Jodi. "We encourage people who are attending the workshops to bring along a family member or support person.

"Attendees will be provided with an information booklet and planning document to support you at your initial NDIS planning meeting," says Jodi.

Places are limited, to register or to find out more visit Senses Australia's website www.senses.org.au or call 1300 111 881.

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Everyday Senses Australia supports over 650 children and adults of all ages with a wide range of disabilities including people with Autism, intellectual disability, sensory impairments, Down Syndrome, neurological conditions and multiple disabilities to reach their full potential.

To find out more about Senses Australia's services in Bunbury and the South West visit www.senses.org.au or call Senses Australia on 1300 111 881.

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