



Financial Assistance for Children with Autism Spectrum Disorder and Their Families

Centrelink delivers social and health-related payments and services to people with disabilities and their families. Below is a list of payments that you may be eligible to receive from Centrelink for your child with Autism:

Carers Allowance

The Carers Allowance is an additional fortnightly payment for parents and carers who provide daily care to someone who has a disability, or serious illness. While there is no assets test for Carer Allowance, there is an income test. Parents and carers are encouraged to contact Centrelink to determine their eligibility for the Allowance.

Carers Payment

Carer Payment provides financial support to people who are unable to work in substantial paid employment because they provide full-time daily care to someone with a severe disability or medical condition.

Child Disability Assistance Payment

An annual payment to assist parents with the costs of caring for a child with a disability

Carer Adjustment Payment

The Carer Adjustment Payment is a one-off payment to help families deal with the increased costs of caring for a child aged six years or younger who has had a sudden and severe illness or accident.

Continence Aids Payment Scheme

Helps people aged 5 years or more who have permanent and severe incontinence to meet some of the costs of incontinence products.

Other payments are available for various circumstances or different family needs.

Am I eligible?

To find out if you are eligible you can do the following:

- Contact Centrelink on 132 717
- Visit your nearest Centrelink office
- Visit their website www.humanservices.gov.au and go to their Payment Finder to answer some questions and find out what you may be eligible for.