#### OFFICE OF THE SENIOR PRACTITIONER

# Information about the Developing Interim Plans (DIP) Program

The Office of the Senior Practitioner has developed the DIP program to help address the shortage of behaviour support practitioners in Tasmania. It has also been developed to assist with the development of interim behaviour support plans that are required as a result of the large numbers of reportable incidents.

The DIP Program provides a short, practical program that helps people learn the basic skills they need to write simple Interim Behaviour Support Plans (iBSPs) relating to the use of chemical restraint.

## **DIP Program Prerequisites**

Learners need to work for an organisation that is registered for providing behaviour support (0110) or are planning to in the near future. They must also have been deemed suitable by the NDIS Quality and Safeguards Commission via completion of a s29 form.

No formal tertiary qualifications are needed but it is important that potential participants have some experience with the Positive Behaviour Support (PBS) approach through training and/or work experience.

### **DIP Program Content**

- How to describe behaviours of concern and the function of behaviours of concern.
- Setting up data collection systems
- Identifying triggers and setting events
- Environmental supports that address triggers and setting events
- What to do when the behaviour of concern occurs and how to de-escalate
- How do evaluate the quality of an iBSP

The skills and knowledge gained in the DIP program closely align with the NDIS PBS Capability Framework, particularly the Capability Domain 'Interim Response'.

#### **Further Information**

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