

Collaboration partnerships. Making referral pathways work: NDIS/ECEI

ECIA NSW/ACT is organising a series of regional forums: **Collaboration partnerships, making referral pathways work: NDIS/ECEI** across NSW and the ACT between March and May 2017. These regional forums will facilitate information sharing, linkages and capacity building (ILC) locally in the context of NDIS and the Early Childhood Early Intervention (ECEI) approach. Focus will be on strengthening the partnerships with health professionals as a priority and with other local services and organisations that support children with developmental delay and/or disability and their families.

The regional forums will:

- help establish/strengthen local networks and partnerships to enhance the information sharing linkages and capacity building at the local level
- bring together local representatives from ECI, Health (e.g. paediatricians, community health, private allied health etc) ECEC, NGOs and other community organisations to consider ways of improving referral pathways and inclusive practice in the context of NDIS and ECEI
- act as a platform for learning about each other's work, achievements and challenges
- promote the inclusion and meaningful participation of children with developmental delay and/or disabilities.

Who should attend?

Local representatives (managers/leaders) from:

- ECIs
- Allied Health
- ECECs
- Community health
- Community organisations
- Diagnosticians including paediatricians and psychologists
- Early Linkers & Local Area Coordinators.

The regional forums are free to attend, however registration is required via the following link:
<http://www.ecia-nsw.org.au/conferencesevents/ecia-regional-forums-march-may-2017>

Location	Regions	Date	Time
Sydney	Sydney, Northern Sydney	6 March	4 - 7pm
Springwood	Nepean Blue Mountains	28 March	4 - 7pm
Canberra	ACT	31 March	7:30 - 10:30am
Sydney West & South East	Western Sydney, South Western Sydney, South Eastern Sydney	3 April	4 - 7pm
Byron Bay	Northern NSW	28 April	4 - 7pm
Dubbo	Western NSW	1 May	4 - 7pm
Mingara	Central Coast	2 May	11am - 1pm
Newcastle	Hunter New England	4 May	4 - 7pm
Nowra	Illawarra Shoalhaven, Southern NSW	8 May	4 - 7pm
Wagga Wagga	Murumbidgee	10 May	9am - 12pm
Kempsey	Mid North Coast	17 May	9am - 12pm