

National Psychosocial Program (NPS)

Frequently Asked Questions

How much funding is available?

We are currently seeking expressions of interest (EOI) from locally based providers to help us decide how much funding is required to deliver the service in the regions/areas specified in the EOI Guidelines document (this can be accessed via Tenderlink). Funding will be allocated based on the strength of the application, with each application being assessed for 'value for money' and ensuring the proposed activity/service meets the needs of the local community.

How will funding be divided?

Our aim is to distribute these funds strategically across various service providers throughout the Northern Territory (NT), prioritising the regions with the greatest need, as indicated in the EOI Guidelines document. We are looking for initiatives that will have a lasting impact. Activities requiring less than \$50,000 will not be considered to ensure that our funding can drive significant and sustainable change.

How long is the funding for?

The National Psychosocial Funding is available until 30 June 2025. Service to commence from 2 January 2024. This funding is intended to support new NPS services, in regions where there is currently no NPS available, ensuring it is both effective and financially viable long-term. This approach allows for ongoing monitoring, improvement, and evaluation, ensuring lasting positive change within the communities we serve.

Who can apply?

We are seeking to expand the NPS program with NT providers who have strong-established relationships with the local community and stakeholders in the region/s or areas they are applying for.

Can we apply for a region/s or areas we don't currently service?

We are encouraging organisations that have established relationships within the region/s or areas identified in the EOI Guidelines document to apply, as we look to service communities that are not currently serviced. We are not expecting providers to apply for regions/areas that are outside their current footprint. The regions/areas we are seeking to deliver NPS are identified in the EOI Guidelines document.

Can we apply separately for the Service Navigator funding?

Yes, providers can apply separately for the Service Navigator funding only. The Service Navigator role will cover and service the entire NT and it can be based in any location across the NT.

Is there scope for PSP to support people under the age of 16?

Yes, there is scope for under 16 at PHNs discretion and approval.

Do Pre-Qualifications need to be submitted right away or only after being successful?

They do not need to be filled out right away only when you have been successful but will make the process easier if you are selected in the future to move ahead.

Are all responses limited to 300 words?

Not at all, Responses can exceed the word limit and can be up to whatever amount the provider would like as long it addresses the questions and criteria.

Can you include external evaluation in the budget plan?

Yes, but there is no additional funding, any evaluation will be carried out by the provider and included in budget submitted with the EOI.

Can the service navigation model have an outreach component?

Components of outreach and phone service would be a preferred option.

Will there be any priorities around building and working with ACCHO's in the areas?

We are looking for service providers with established relationships in the community/communities they are applying for. Working with ACCHO's and AMS's in the communities identified is crucial to implementing any new services.

Do we need to apply for both the Service Navigator and PSP service role?

You don't have to apply for both the service navigator and to deliver PSP.

Has NT PHN looked into the data provided in these areas and the need for PSP Service Navigator and support?

NT PHN will review the data provided as evidence in the EOIs received and will engage the internal data team to verify the data and/or seek new data.