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Towards Independence Accommodation Services

Towards Independence Accommodation Services (TIAS) provides accommodation to people with an intellectual disability between the ages of 18 – 65 years. The service aims to allow people to live as independent life as possible, and provides a range of service options including:

- 24 hour Group Home support
- Shared accommodation with 2 -4 other people, living in private rental
- Drop-in support to people who live by themselves in their own accommodation

Enquiring about a referral for TIAS

Enquiries regarding referrals for TIAS can be obtained by contacting the NSW Department of Ageing, Disability and Home Care at (DADHC) at their Newcastle office on (02) 4908 5229.

What types of support can be provided?

TIAS provides individual support to develop and maintain independent living skills. In consultation with the client, qualified staff develop a plan that will include a variation of:

- Personal Hygiene/ Toileting/ Grooming
- Assistance with preparation of meals
- Attending professional appointments
- Personal management
- Cleaning and light household tasks
- Menu planning and shopping
- Transport to appointments
- Accessing community activities

What are the costs?

An affordable fee for services applies. We will discuss fees with you and your family or representative, and explain any monies you may be required to pay as recommended by the Commonwealth Government. People who may feel financially disadvantaged are not excluded from receiving services, and should discuss this matter with a Case Manager.

Is there emergency support?

Yes. A support person is on call 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Can I have an advocate?

An advocate or family member of your choice is welcome at all meetings. If you require an advocate, we can recommend an advocacy service or will contact the advocate/ advocacy service of your choice.