

Support your local community to get WorkReady





About Ability Options

Ability Options supports people through work experience, employment, and specialist services, in home, online and in the community. Our services support people with disabilities and those whose lives are changed as a result of accidents and unemployment. We pride ourselves on personalised support for people to achieve both short and long-term goals, and gain new experiences and opportunities for employment, community connections and greater independence.

About WorkReady

WorkReady equips people with the skills, knowledge, and real-world experience to enter/ re-enter the workforce, or gain further training with confidence. It is a tailored service supporting people to meet their individual goals and get ready for work!

Providing Work Experience for participants

A work experience provider plays a very important role, supporting people to connect with others in their community. The placement provides an opportunity for people to feel that they are involved in meaningful work that is linked to their personal goals. It is a safe environment to test workplace skills, and learn new ones, before embarking on paid employment. Participants can acquire skills while experiencing positive reinforcement and encouragement, and interacting with others.

Supporting your local community by supporting everyone

It is an unfortunate fact that many people with disabilities have had negative experiences in the community, and as a result, often don't believe that employment is an option for them. They may have been stigmatised, or told that they cannot achieve their goals. The NDIS (National Disability Insurance Scheme) is a government initiative which was created to empower people with disabilities to make choices about their own lives, including employment.





This inclusive approach sees all people involved in an active community. Employment and meaningful activities are critical to the success of this. By providing work experience you may be the difference between someone having the confidence to seek employment and lead an independent life, and someone not believing it will ever be an option for them.

Support someone to discover their interests and strengths

Often people don't know they are good at something until they try, and we all have different talents and strengths. Work experience can help someone discover their hidden strengths, and also get a better understanding of real jobs and employment skills. We have many success stories about participants who have experienced a positive and productive work experience placement that has led them into employment.

Build confidence and social skills in your staff

If we truly believe in an inclusive world, then it is important for everyone to get involved.

By being a work experience provider, you will be enabling your staff to take a more inclusive approach and help them build training and workplace social skills. Strong team members make strong teams.

If you would like us to, we can also assist with training or guidance for staff to ensure that they feel positive and empowered in this role. So many of our work experience placements have built wonderful new connections through these shared experiences.

Set up and support

Becoming a work experience provider with WorkReady is easy, because we do all the preparation for you. We come to your workplace to discuss the role and the participant, and answer all of your questions.

We conduct a site risk assessment with you and ensure that your staff feel prepared for the placement. We can come in to oversee the placement if required and are also a phone call away when we are not on site.

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Get in touch

If you would like to make a positive and real difference in your community, please get in touch with us. We can meet at a convenient time to chat through your questions and talk through the process. Your support can have so many positive flow-on effects for staff, community businesses and most importantly, the individual you support.

To find out more about being a work experience provider, please contact us on **1300 422 454** or email **workready@abilityoptions.org.au**



We respectfully acknowledge the traditional custodians of the Country on which we live and work together and are committed to building relationships, respect and opportunities with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples.