



Developmental Educators Australia Incorporated

DEVELOPMENTAL EDUCATORS, A DISCIPLINE PROFILE

Developmental Educators focus on individual learning and developmental outcomes and specialise in:

- Providing specialist developmental assessment and intervention programs.
- Promoting both the emotional health and physical well being of people with disabilities.
- Undertaking and teaching functional skills in life domains including, social, communication, self-care, daily living, recreation, and employment.
- Assisting people living with a disability to set and attain individual goals.
- Providing case management and counselling supports to people with disabilities.
- Developing and implementing positive behaviour support planning.
- Working and liaising with families, service providers and community members to enhance the quality of life and choice for people with a disability.
- Facilitating self advocacy and/or advocate on behalf of people with disabilities.
- Supporting individuals with a disability to access and maintain meaningful vocational experiences.

Developmental Educators are disability specialists and work in a range of areas which can include:

- Behaviour Support/Intervention
- Therapeutic Support/Intervention
- Early Childhood Support
- Developmental Assessments
- Support Coordination
- Employment/Access/Support
- Life Skills (including communication & social/emotional skills)
- Counselling/Consultancy/Training/Education
- Community Participation
- Planning and Management
- Accommodation/Tenancy Support

Developmental Educators:

- Adopt a holistic, strengths based and person centered approach.
- Work from a human rights framework, which underpins practice and service approaches.
- Work in collaboration with other allied health professionals.
- Work in partnership with people with a disability, their families, and support networks to deliver a range of specialist services.
- Work in collaboration with others to provide information on disability.



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