

Learn about positive behaviour support

Support workers and health professionals sometimes need to help a person with disability change their behaviour. This could be:

- to help keep the person with disability safe
- to make the work place safe.

This resource made by the NDIS Commission is about practices support teams use to try to change behaviour. It says what practices are:

- good to use
- sometimes ok to use if you follow the rules carefully
- never ok to use.

Positive behaviour support is the best way to help someone change their behaviour

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Positive behaviour support respects human rights and is based on evidence.

This approach can include things like:

- sharing new skills
- changing the place where the person lives
- helping the support team
- making a plan.

Restrictive practices should be a last resort

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Restrictive practices are actions that may keep people safe in the short term. But these actions do not:

- help people change their behaviour
- meet people's needs or make lives better
- help support teams understand why someone acts as they do
- respect human rights.

The resource explains the rules about restrictive practices. These rules are serious.

High risk practices should never be used

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Some practices place people with disability at a high risk of harm. This harm can include serious long term physical or mental injury and death.

These practices should never be used.

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