

## I-CAN CoS Project | Information for Prospective Assessors

### About the Opportunity

The Centre for Disability Studies (CDS) is running a national assessment pilot of a custom version of our I-CAN v6 tool (I-CAN version CoS), which will run between November 2020 - June 2021 with strong possibility of extension.

This presents an exciting opportunity for Allied Health Professionals (AHPs) to join an Australian wide pilot project, working as part of a team to complete support needs assessments for older people with disability.

AHPs will be provided with training to learn to use the assessment tool, a licence to administer the tool, insurance and ongoing clinical and administrative support across the project.

### Project Overview

#### About the Pilot Project

A cohort of older people with disability, who are supported by the Continuity of Supports (CoS) Programme, will be assessed using a custom version of the I-CAN assessment tool (I-CAN v CoS).

CoS clients are located across Australia and most assessments will be conducted via video conference.

#### About the I-CAN v CoS

The Instrument for the Classification and Assessment of Support Needs (I-CAN) is a support needs assessment designed to assess and guide support delivery for people with disability. The I-CAN is based on the World Health Organisation's International Classification of Functioning, Disability and Health (ICF) and provides a holistic assessment across whole of life domains. The tool is person-centred, and strengths based.

CDS is adding an additional component to the tool which will provide cost estimations linked to individual and shared support needs, which will be used to guide service provision under the CoS Programme.

The I-CAN v CoS tool is an online assessment tool and auto generates a report on completion.

#### About CoS Programme

The CoS Programme provides support to people 65 years and over, and indigenous people aged 50 years and over, who were receiving state-managed specialist disability services at the time of implementation but who are ineligible for the NDIS.

## Assessor Requirements

### Skills and Experience

We are looking for assessors with the following skills and experience:

- Allied Health Qualification
- Clinical experience working with people with disability, preferably older people
- If you are an allied health professional, full AHPRA registration or eligibility for professional membership (as applicable to your qualification)
- Current National Police Check
- Ability to work independently and as part of a team
- Experience administering assessment tools and clinical report writing

### Training Attendance & Minimum Commitment

If you have not previously been certified as an I-CAN assessor, you must be available attend training on either of the following dates:

- Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> November, 10 am – 4:30 pm, online
- Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> December, 10 am – 4:30 pm, online

There will be additional half day training sessions run in January and February 2021 which will be focused on the specific I-CAN version CoS tool. These will be mandatory for both existing and new assessors.

To attend training, you must make a commitment to complete a minimum of 10 I-CAN assessments over the course of the project.

### Benefits

Benefits of being involved in the project include:

- The opportunity to contribute to a pilot project aimed at improving the lives of older people with disability across Australia
- Competitive contractor rate of \$90 p/h (plus GST & superannuation if eligible)
- Professional Development – we will provide full training and support to administer the assessment tool
- Flexibility – able to work flexible hours to suit you and our clients' needs
- Peer Support – we will provide you with group peer support, facilitated by a highly experience Occupational Therapist or Speech Pathologist
- Insurances – we will provide you with appropriate insurances for the purpose of the project