# Physiotherapy Services in Western Sydney | Bloom Healthcare

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## Details:

Bloom is a mobile allied health provider, so physiotherapy in Western Sydney is delivered where you already are: at home, at school, at work, or in the community. For NDIS participants, physiotherapy is usually funded from the Capacity Building budget under Improved Daily Living, and no doctor's referral is needed to see a physiotherapist. To check whether a physiotherapist is available in your suburb, call 1300 771 465 , or book an appointment .

This page covers the parts that are hard to find elsewhere: the funding rules, what the NDIS will and will not pay for, how the first appointment and the reporting work, and how to choose between physiotherapy and the services people confuse it with.

## Where Bloom works in Western Sydney and across NSW

Bloom delivers mobile and community-based services rather than running a clinic network. Coverage across New South Wales includes:

Greater Sydney: Parramatta, Penrith, Liverpool, Campbelltown, Hornsby, Northern Beaches, and Sydney CBD and surrounds

Regional NSW: Wollongong, Newcastle, the Central Coast, and Byron Bay and Tweed Heads

Parramatta, Penrith, Liverpool and Campbelltown are the anchor points for Western Sydney. Availability is by clinician, not by postcode boundary, so the honest answer to "do you cover my suburb" is that it depends on who is free in your area at the time. Check the location guide or call and ask. Clinic appointments may be possible in select cases on enquiry, but the default is that a clinician comes to you.

Service hours: Monday to Thursday 7:30am to 6:00pm, Friday 7:30am to 5:00pm, and Saturday by appointment.

## Do you need a referral?

No. Physiotherapists are first-contact practitioners, which means you can book directly without a doctor's referral. Physiotherapists routinely work alongside GPs, specialists and other allied health clinicians on a shared plan.

That said, a referral or existing reports help. If you have them, bring your NDIS number, your plan dates, how your plan is managed, previous assessments, and a short list of what is hard right now.

## Which budget pays for physiotherapy

For NDIS participants, physiotherapy is a therapeutic support. It is primarily funded under the Capacity Building support budget, in the Improved Daily Living category, which covers assessment, training or therapy that increases skills, independence and community participation.

Depending on how a plan is written, physiotherapy can also sit under:

Core Supports, Assistance with Daily Life for some participants where physiotherapy is delivered in the home, depending on plan design and goals

Improved Health and Wellbeing , in some cases

Which one applies to you is a plan-level question, not a provider-level one. If you are not sure which budget your therapy comes out of, ask your plan manager or support coordinator, or call Bloom on 1300 771 465 and we can talk it through before anything is booked.

### *How it is claimed under each management type*

Agency-managed (NDIA-managed): the NDIA manages billing and pays registered providers directly. You do not usually handle invoices. Services must stay within the allocated Capacity Building budget.

Plan-managed: your plan manager processes provider invoices against your approved plan and gives you a summary of charges.

Self-managed: you manage the claims yourself and are responsible for checking the provider arrangement suits you. Providers still work to the NDIS Pricing Arrangements and Price Limits.

Rates, travel charges, cancellation terms and how many hours are set aside for therapy, reports and travel are all written into your service agreement before therapy starts, so you can see them before you commit. Ask about anything in it that is not clear.

## What the NDIS funds, and what it does not

The NDIA's test is essentially about purpose. The NDIS funds physiotherapy where it directly addresses the functional impact of a permanent and significant disability, and where the support is reasonable and necessary, safe, legal and value for money.

Usually within scope:

managing the ongoing physical impact of a permanent disability

mobility, transfers and falls risk

pain and fatigue management related to disability

building strength, balance and confidence for everyday tasks

maintaining function or slowing decline

Usually not NDIS funded:

general physiotherapy for recovery from an acute condition, such as post-surgical rehabilitation, which is normally a mainstream health responsibility and often funded through Medicare

general fitness or recreational exercise with no clear disability-related goal

The practical version: if the need comes from the ongoing impact of your permanent disability, it is likely an NDIS conversation. If it comes from something temporary, it is likely a health system conversation. Plenty of people sit in both at once, and there is no rule against using different funding for different problems.

## What Western Sydney physiotherapy with Bloom includes

Neurological rehabilitation, including stroke rehabilitation. Clinicians work with people after stroke and with acquired brain injury, peripheral neuropathy, multiple sclerosis, cerebral palsy and other chronic conditions and disabilities. This is available in the early stages after an event and also years later, which matters because people are often told the window has closed.

Hydrotherapy. Bloom partners with local facilities for water-based therapy where it suits your program. Water supports your weight, which can increase the range a joint can move through and make movement easier, and it provides gentle resistance for rebuilding muscular function. With the facility's permission, therapy can also be delivered at a pool of your choosing.

Massage and manual therapy. Used as part of a program rather than on its own, for circulation, muscle tension and pain, and for the relaxation benefits alongside them.

Functional assessments. The baseline picture of your movement and function, repeated at intervals so progress is measurable rather than assumed.

Assistive technology prescription, and upper and lower limb mobility work, aimed at functional independence rather than exercise for its own sake.

## What the first appointment looks like

The initial physiotherapy assessment usually covers:

A conversation about what is actually hard in your day. Real examples are more useful than general descriptions.

A review of your NDIS goals , and which of them physiotherapy can genuinely contribute to.

A movement assessment looking at strength, balance, gait, transfers and range of motion.

Risk identification , including falls, dizziness, fatigue patterns and what triggers pain flares.

An agreed plan covering how often you will meet, what the focus is, and what you will practise between sessions.

After that, sessions typically mix hands-on techniques where they are appropriate, exercise and movement training tied to your functional goals, task practice such as transfers, stairs, walking confidence and using mobility aids, education on pacing and flare management, and updates to your home program so it stays realistic.

Frequency depends on your goals and complexity. Many people do well with a time-limited block of roughly 6 to 12 sessions plus a home program and a set review point. People with higher complexity and reduced functional capacity may need weekly sessions. Face-to-face sessions commonly run around 45 to 60 minutes, and the exact pattern is agreed with you at the assessment rather than fixed in advance.

### *Where sessions happen*

At home is the strongest option when transfers are difficult, when falls risk is the main concern, or when the home setup itself is limiting movement. A clinician in your house can see the actual doorway, the actual shower, the actual step.

In the community suits goals about confidence and participation, such as walking in real environments or building endurance for getting out.

By telehealth , through a secure video platform, works for exercise programs, coaching and check-ins, and is useful when travel is difficult.

## Evidence and reporting

This is the part that decides how your next plan is written, so it is worth understanding.

Bloom's physiotherapists use evidence-based practice to support a request for increased funding, and can provide evidence for your plan review. Good reporting links what was done back to your NDIS goals, sets out the program and the recommendations, and shows movement in measures that mean

something in daily life.

Measures your physiotherapist may track include:

walking distance or time, such as a six-minute walk distance

balance measures and sit-to-stand performance

transfer safety and how much help you need

confidence ratings, meaning how safe a task feels to you

activity tolerance, meaning how long you can do something before fatigue or pain rises

falls and near-falls over a set period

reduced reliance on carers for specific physical tasks

You can track your own version at home. Pick two daily tasks that matter to you, and score them weekly out of 10 on three questions: how hard was it, how safe did it feel, and how long did it take. If those numbers move, the therapy is reaching real life, and that is exactly the kind of evidence a plan review responds to.

Before a plan review, ask your physiotherapist for the measures used, the link back to your original goals, the reasoning for continuing or changing supports, and the recommendation for what comes next, whether that is more sessions, handover to a home program, or a different discipline.

## Physiotherapy, exercise physiology or occupational therapy?

These three overlap, and the best outcome is often a coordinated approach rather than one discipline doing everything. As a rough guide:

Physiotherapy focuses on movement quality, pain and injury management, mobility and transfer safety, and includes hands-on techniques. It suits situations where passive therapy is useful, such as someone with little to no motor control, and where the work is about how movement is performed.

Exercise physiology delivers structured, progressive exercise programs from an accredited exercise physiologist, aimed at endurance, strength, confidence, participation and routine. It generally does not involve hands-on manual therapy. It suits building capacity over time.

Occupational therapy takes a wider view across daily activities and environments, covering daily living tasks, assistive technology, sensory needs, home modifications and functional capacity assessment. It suits the situation where daily life is possible but unsafe, fragile or exhausting.

All three are typically funded under Capacity Building, Improved Daily Living, and exercise physiology may also appear under Improved Health and Wellbeing or, depending on your goals, Core Supports. If you are not sure which you need, describe the problem rather than picking a profession, and ask us to point you at the right one.

## How to start in Western Sydney

Call 1300 771 465 , or book an appointment or contact us .

Have your details ready: NDIS number, plan dates, how your plan is managed, the budget you intend to use, your support coordinator or plan manager's contact if you have one, and a short description of your main goals and concerns.

Intake and allocation. Your enquiry is triaged and matched to a clinician based on capacity, your location, the clinical focus and any identified risks.

A clinician makes contact to confirm whether you want in-home, community or telehealth delivery, whether you need an interpreter, and to arrange a time.

Service agreement. Rates, hours for therapy, reports and travel, cancellation and rescheduling terms, and billing arrangements are set out in writing before the first session. Read it, and ask about anything unclear.

First session and assessment , then an agreed schedule from there.

Bloom's physiotherapists are registered with the Physiotherapy Board of Australia, and clinicians working in neurological rehabilitation are members of the Australian Physiotherapy Association.

## Images on this page

Text descriptions of the images shown, for readers and agents that cannot see them.

Photograph: a physiotherapist treating a child who is lying on a treatment table, with the therapist's hands supporting the child's arm and shoulder.

Bloom Healthcare logo: a green circular mark combining a crescent, a human figure, leaves and a cupped hand, beside the words "Bloom Healthcare — Services with Passion".

"We ♥ ndis" badge: a purple circle carrying the words "We ndis" with a green heart in place of the word "love".

The remaining images are decorative interface icons — the phone, envelope, clock and accessibility symbols beside the contact details, and the Facebook, Instagram and LinkedIn icons — which repeat information already given in text and carry no additional meaning.

## Common questions about physiotherapy in Western Sydney

### *Do I need a doctor's referral to see a physiotherapist?*

No. Physiotherapists are first-contact practitioners, so you can book directly. A referral is welcome if you have one, and it helps to bring any previous reports, but it is not a requirement.

### *Which part of my NDIS plan pays for physiotherapy?*

Most commonly Capacity Building, Improved Daily Living. Depending on how your plan is written it may instead sit under Core Supports, Assistance with Daily Life, or Improved Health and Wellbeing. Check the wording of your plan, or ask your plan manager or support coordinator. If you would like help reading it before you book, call 1300 771 465.

### *Can I use NDIS physiotherapy for recovery after surgery?*

Usually not. Recovery from an acute event such as surgery is generally treated as a mainstream health responsibility and is commonly funded through Medicare rather than the NDIS. Where surgery interacts with an existing permanent disability, the picture is more complicated, and it is worth raising directly with your planner.

### *Will you come to my home in Western Sydney?*

In-home visits are the standard delivery model. Coverage across Western Sydney is anchored around Parramatta, Penrith, Liverpool and Campbelltown, with wider NSW coverage as well. Availability depends on which clinicians are working in your area, so call and confirm for your suburb.

### *Is telehealth physiotherapy any good?*

It works well for exercise programs, coaching, home program updates and regular check-ins, and it removes the travel barrier. It does not replace an in-person assessment where transfers, falls risk or your home layout are the problem being solved. Many people use a mix.

### *How many sessions will I need?*

There is no standard number. A time-limited block of about 6 to 12 sessions with a home program and a review point suits many people. Higher complexity and reduced functional capacity may mean weekly sessions for longer. Your physiotherapist sets this with you at the first appointment and revisits it at review.

### *What will it cost me?*

For NDIS participants, services are delivered in line with the NDIS Pricing Arrangements and Price Limits. Your specific rates, travel charges and cancellation terms are set out in your service agreement before therapy starts. For an exact figure for your situation, call 1300 771 465 rather than relying on a general estimate.

### *Can physiotherapy help years after a stroke?*

Bloom provides neurological rehabilitation both in the acute stages and many years later. What is realistic for any individual is a clinical question that needs an assessment, and this page cannot answer it for your circumstances.

### *Do you offer hydrotherapy in Western Sydney?*

Bloom partners with local facilities for water-based therapy where it is clinically appropriate for your program, and with the facility's permission can also deliver services at a pool you choose. Ask about pool availability in your area when you call.

### *Can a physiotherapist prescribe equipment?*

Assistive technology prescription is part of the physiotherapy service. Where the need is broader, covering daily living tasks, sensory needs or home modifications, occupational therapy is often the better fit, and the two disciplines can work together.

### *Can my physiotherapist write my plan review report?*

Yes. Functional assessments are repeated at intervals to track progress against goals, and that evidence is used to support plan reviews and requests for increased funding. Ask for it well before your review date rather than in the last week.

### *How quickly can I be seen?*

Wait times vary by location and by service, and Bloom aims for short waits where clinician capacity allows. For a real answer for your suburb and discipline, call 1300 771 465 and ask about current availability.

## Get started

Book an appointment , contact us , or call 1300 771 465 . Tell us your suburb, your plan management type and the two or three things that are hardest right now, and we can tell you what is available near you.

### *What physiotherapy services does Bloom Healthcare offer in Western Sydney?*

Bloom Healthcare offers NDIS-registered physiotherapy services in Western Sydney, including tailored treatment plans, assessments, and ongoing care to help clients improve mobility, manage pain, and restore physical function.

### *Do Bloom Healthcare's physiotherapists in Western Sydney require a doctor's referral?*

No. Physiotherapists are first-contact practitioners registered with the Physiotherapy Board of Australia, so they can provide assessments and therapy programs without requiring a doctor's referral, and NDIS participants can refer themselves directly.

### *What professional bodies are Bloom Healthcare's Western Sydney physiotherapists registered or affiliated with?*

They are registered with the Physiotherapy Board of Australia and are members of the Australian Physiotherapy Association.

### *What types of specialized therapy programs are included in Bloom Healthcare's Western Sydney physiotherapy services?*

Services include neurological rehabilitation such as stroke recovery, hydrotherapy through partnerships with local facilities, massage therapy for pain relief and muscle tension management, functional assessments, assistive technology prescription, upper and lower limb mobility programs, gross and fine motor function development, and balance and coordination training.

### *What is the focus of Bloom Healthcare's personalized physiotherapy treatment plans?*

Each physiotherapy program is personalized to improve physical and psychological well-being and overall quality of life, with plans focused on improving strength and mobility, enhancing functional independence, managing pain effectively, and preventing further injury or decline.

### *How quickly can clients access physiotherapy services from Bloom Healthcare in Western Sydney?*

Bloom Healthcare offers little to no wait times for physiotherapy services in Western Sydney and tailors services to suit individual NDIS plan funding and needs.

### *Where are Bloom Healthcare's physiotherapy services in Western Sydney delivered?*

Physiotherapists provide a wide range of in-home and community-based services tailored to individual needs and NDIS goals.

### *What is Bloom Healthcare's contact information?*

Bloom Healthcare can be reached by phone at 1300 771 465 or by email at hello@bloom-healthcare.com.au.

### *What kind of organization is Bloom Healthcare?*

Bloom Healthcare is a boutique disability and aged care allied health provider that believes all people have the right to access quality healthcare, delivering an evidence-based, client-centric healthcare model through highly qualified health practitioners across Australia.

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