



What is Early Intervention ? Early Intervention is when specialised support assists in the development of infants and children that may have developmental delays, learning delays, autism and other types of disabilities.

Therapists such as Speech, Physiotherapy, Occupational, play and educators can assist in encouraging development, and can have a significant impact on a child's outcomes using therapy and education to help them overcome challenges. This can increase success in every day living, social functioning and school activities.

Northaven Can Help You if Your Infant or Child Needs

Early Intervention.

Northaven Disability Service has been supporting individuals and their families in the Inverell area for over 50 years. Recently we have started supporting infants, children seven years and under.

We can support you and your child if you have the following:

- © A diagnosed disability.
- You think that your child is not meeting milestones and you are unsure what to do.
- An educational or health care professional have concerns and have suggested that intervention may assist in development.
- You need to start the process for diagnosis for getting an NDIS plan or organising support.

Getting the Process Started.

To assist in the process it is always helpful to gather as much information you can. If you have any of the following it will assist the Northaven team tailor appropriate Early Intervention that works with the child and family. Some helpful documents to bring on your first appointment, if you have them, would be:

- © NDIS Plan
- OT, Speech or other therapy reports
- Doctor or Paediatrician reports
- Reports or letters of concern from educators
- Health records