

The perfect home away from home.

Short term accommodation (respite) for children
with disability at Uniting Belfield house



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Flexible, fun and safe.

Uniting Belfield House is a recently renovated, purpose-built home with six bedrooms, offering short-term accommodation (respite) for children and young people with disability. Children aged 7 to 17 are welcome for one night, a week or more.

It's all about your child

When your child visits Belfield House, we want them to feel at home. That's why we work with you to create a profile of likes, interests, preferred communication methods and other important information. We also have a specially designed communication wall, iPads and other tools that give children the option of expressing thoughts, feelings and needs visually.

There's a lot to keep kids busy during their stay, such as a sensory room, garden and inground trampoline, as well as community based activities.

The routine at the house is structured around individual preferences. Put simply, we're child led. Whether it's the park, the movies, or just staying in and playing games, our team encourages enthusiasm, creativity and friendly interaction.

Learning made fun

We have a large range of age-appropriate activities, which can be tailored to your child's needs. We'll support your child to develop new skills, including learning to cook and becoming independent with personal care. We can even provide help with homework.

Matching children with stays

We use a matching process to make sure children and young people are linked with friends of the same ages, with similar interests, abilities and support needs.

Children

We focus on supporting children build skills at their age levels. There's lots of play activity, a sensory swing, trampoline and iPads with education-based games and apps to help a child communicate with the team using pictures. There are also plenty of books to read, movies to watch and our team members are happy to assist with homework and school activities.

Young people

Young people have the opportunity to learn life skills, such as making basic meals, washing clothes, making beds, becoming independent before they leave home, or being more autonomous at home.

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Security and transport

We know that security and safety are important to you, which is why we carry out risk assessments that are re-evaluated every time your child visits. Families and children are always consulted about their expectations, and our backyard is fully enclosed and gated so that children can play safely.

Transport

One of our professionally converted and accessible vehicles can pick up your child from home or school to start their stay with us. Please ask for more details.

NDIS categories

Short-term accommodation for your child can be accessed under a number of NDIS support categories, such as:

- Core supports
- Short-term accommodation.

Respite to suit your needs

We understand the right support can reduce the stress you might experience supporting a child with disability.

Our short-term accommodation gives families and carers the chance to take a break and catch up on work or appointments, which in turn can strengthen a family unit.

Maybe you'd like to go on holidays, or attend a special family function or event. You might want to spend some time with your other children, enjoying activities you can't always do. Or perhaps you need support during a crisis, like a hospital visit or illness?

No matter what your needs, our house will offer your child a warm welcome.

About our team.

Uniting Belfield House is under new management. You can relax knowing your child is supported by a dedicated team ready to assist with their day-to-day needs. Our staff to child ratios are 1 child or 2 children per staff member, depending on individual requirements.

Our people are skilled and child focused, with the experience to work with children who have behaviours of concern. The team operates within a positive interaction framework that includes PCA, trauma-informed support, positive-behaviour support, and a child-safe framework and environment.

Our recruitment process includes thorough interviews, national and international police checks, and Working with Children Checks where relevant. Parents are offered the opportunity to support our recruitment process by sitting on our interview panels. We meet sector quality certification and legislative requirements and our support staff receive ongoing professional development, refresher courses and accredited training to keep them at the top of the profession.

We're happy to discuss our services. For queries or bookings, please give us a call.

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