

MANSFIELD AUTISM PRACTITIONERS

A MAP is a professional who joins in the lives and routines of families living with autism, providing compassionate, caring and proactive support.

Autism Specific

Our MAPs incorporate positive behaviour support and visual supports into the daily program within the home, school and community. MAPs have professional expertise in autism and offer a wide range of individualised interventions.

Family Routines & Continuity of Care

Our MAPs stay in the home which helps to observe critical times and to provide individualised and relevant ideas and strategies that fit in with the family routine. We provide continuity of care, supporting our young people through times of transition and change.

Home Based

We offer practical support in the family home. Our MAPs live (where possible) with the family for 3 - 5 days at a time, multiple times a year. We travel to all Melbourne, rural and regional Victorian families.

Strengths-Based & Solution-Focused

Parents note the importance of a service that focuses on solutions and outcomes for their child. Parents importantly feel optimism and hope.

Personal Qualities

Parents often talk about the personal qualities of our MAPs and describe our MAPs as: "compassionate, caring, flexible, genuine, honest, proactive, respectful, and non judgmental".

"I would be completely lost without this service and I truly believe my child would not have developed and improved in daily life skills and positive behavioural changes without my MAPS's expertise, understanding and guidance".



Mansfield Autism Practitioners NDIS Information



MASS is a registered provider of Capacity Building - Improved Relationships and Improved Daily Living. Our MAP team consists of Occupational Therapists and Teachers who are registered Behaviour Support Practitioners

Key details:

- MAPs travel to the family home. They stay 3 - 5 days at a time (approx. 100+ hours per year), dependent on complex behaviours, additional diagnosis and needs. If MAPs are unable to stay within the family home, MAPs stay in accommodation that is near to the family home.
- MAPs travel across Victoria to regional and rural families, as well as servicing Melbourne.
- We visit clients from 0 - 18 years old and we aim to provide continuity of care, supporting our families through times of transition and change.
- Our MAP service is provided in natural environments - the home, school and community.
- We are a family centred practice, providing individualised and holistic support to meet each family's needs.
- We are person centred, all strategies and supports are based on the individual client needs, strengths and capacity.
- We model all strategies and upskill families and support workers.
- Our model of service was evaluated by Monash University, Dr Avril Brereton & Kerry Bull, 2011 as an effective ASD model and a broader adoption of the model across the sector was justified and recommended.

In our service, we aim to:

- Reduce behaviours of concern and increase self-regulation and communication skills.
- Increase adaptive behaviours (daily living skills such as toileting, sleeping, diet & self-care).
- Increase the social and emotional wellbeing of our families, reducing anxiety and stress within the family environment.
- Build our families' confidence and understanding of autism, empowering families to use evidence- based strategies.
- Increase participation of both individual and the family within the community.
- Increase the health and wellbeing of our clients.



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Mansfield Autism Statewide Services are committed to promoting and protecting at all times the best interests of children and young people involved in its programs.

Any child having contact with Mansfield Autism Statewide Service, has the right to feel safe and be safe. The wellbeing of children in our care will always be our first priority and we have zero tolerance to child abuse.



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