# WAiS Member Benefits

WAiS is your organisation committed to influencing and developing innovative individualised, self-directed supports and services. WAiS is committed to working with organisations, people and families to support the viable development of individualised supports and services.

WAiS acknowledges and values organisations that are willing, through their membership, to show leadership and support to improving individualised services and better outcomes for people.

WAiS has numerous membership benefits including:

#### 1. Expert Advisory Services

WAiS can provide you with a suite of specialised technical experts with extensive networks and skill in delivering innovative individualised self-directed supports and services. This expertise will be available to members who require technical and practical advice and information about developing individualised supports and services. By keeping up with the latest information from Australia and internationally provides the best and most practical confidential advice on individualised services.

WAIS has access to updated information on the legislative, statutory and contractual framework affecting its membership base.

## 2. Member Presentations, Seminars, and Conferences

WAiS regularly organises, hosts and develops presentations, workshops and training on relevant topics for members. WAiS promotes best practice for the membership base to deliver best possible individualised services, or achieve best results.

# 3. Targeted Advice and Mentoring

Members can request or offer mentoring in a number of areas relevant to self-directed service approaches. WAiS will provide a matching service for members and has a number of WAiS Associates available to provide tailored advice.

#### 4. WAiS Logo

As a current member of WAiS you are fully entitled to display the official WAiS Membership logo on your corporate website, all business stationery and promotion materials. This provides profile for your organisations commitment to individualised service approaches.

### 5. Specialist membership groups

Members can compare notes with like-minded practitioners and industry experts through involvement with specialist groups convened by WAiS to address pertinent member issues.

## 6. Sphere of Influence

WAiS Chief Executive and Board are positioned on National and State committees to influence policy makers in the interests and challenges faced by the membership base. WAiS has a number of strategic alliances with complementary bodies at a state, national and international level. Representation is based on regular membership surveys and input. Representation to government, media and the wider community on individualised service approaches and outcomes.

#### Why is it important to be a member of WAiS?

- WAiS is the only organisation of its kind committed to individualised self-directed services
- WAiS represents you on a number of committees and meetings with key decision makers
- WAiS supports you to improve your practice and outcomes
- WAiS provides you with information and resources
- WAiS provides you with services and opportunities

# To be part of this we encourage you to join WAiS and enjoy the many benefits including:

- Discounts for all WAiS functions and events
- Seminars, communities of practice and networking meetings
- Access to educational workshops
- Access to Professional Development Programs
- Exclusive access to members only free networking functions
- Access to executive briefings
- Access to a vast network of practice leaders throughout Australia and internationally.
- Opportunity to participate as a WAiS committee member.
- Eligibility to vote in WAiS Annual General Meetings.