**Transcript – Am I eligible for the NDIS?**

Who is eligible for the NDIS?

Who can become and NDIS participant?

* You must be under 65 years of age.
* You must live in Australia.
* Or be an Australian citizen.
* Or you must have a permanent resident visa.
* You must have a severe and permanent disability.

The NDIS will provide funding or support for people with a vision loss or hearing loss. It must be permanent or severe. The NDIA has said that people with deafblindness are eligible for the NDIS, but must have it confirmed by a doctor. A specialist eye doctor – ophthalmologist. And an audiologist. These doctors need to state that you have a permanent and severe disability. That you have vision and hearing loss. If you have applied and not been successful, you can apply again at a later date.

If you would like to have more information about eligibility, you can contact a Deafblind consultant. The email address is: deafblind.consultant@senses.org.au

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