

**Better Start Early Days Workshops**

**Free workshops for parents who have a child with a disability in Western Australia**

**Are you in the early days of the journey with your child with a disability?**

**Are you still finding your way in the disability system?**

**Does your child have:**

*Cerebral palsy? Down syndrome? Fragile X syndrome?*

*A moderate or greater vision or hearing impairment (including deafblindness)?*

*Or one of a range of other conditions (see list below)?*

You are invited to attend a FREE half-day workshop especially designed for you to help your child have a better start.

The Better Start Early Days workshops are for parents who have a child in the early years before school. These workshops will help you to:

* learn more about the services and supports available to you and your child
* understand how Better Start, NDIS, Disability Services Commission or My Way funding works
* meet other parents who have similar experiences to you
* build confidence and develop positive strategies

**Workshops near You:**

We are running Better Start Early Days Workshops at:

**Esperance**

Venue: Esperance Lotteries House, 3 Forrest Street, Esperance, WA 6450

Date: Tuesday 23rd February 2016

Time: 12.00noon – 2.30pm

**Perth (North)**

Venue: Ability Centre, Unit 5, 1 Hobson’s Gate, Currambine, WA 6028.

Date: Tuesday 1st March 2016

Time: 9.30am – 12.30pm

**Perth (South)**

Venue: Ability Centre, Unit 9, 190 Bannister Road, Canning Vale, WA 6970.

Date: Thursday 17th March 2016

Time: 9.30am – 12.30pm

**Cost:** Free

Morning or afternoon tea provided

Feel free to bring a support person

**Register Now**

To find out more about the workshops please contact:

**Esperance Better Start Early Days Workshop:**

Dawn Brodie

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**Perth (North) Better Start Early Days Workshop:**

Kerryn Ryan

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**Perth (South) Better Start Early Days Workshop:**

Nicole O’Rourke

Ability Centre

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Or go to the website to find out more about the workshops and register for a workshop:

[**betterstartearlydays.net.au**](http://betterstartearlydays.net.au)

Other eligible conditions include: Prader Willi syndrome, Williams syndrome, Angelman syndrome, Kabuki syndrome, Smith-Magenis syndrome, CHARGE syndrome, Cornelia de Lange syndrome, Cri du Chat syndrome, Microcephaly and Rett’s Disorder.

Additional spaces available for parents/carers of children with other disabilities. Please call!

These workshops are for people who receive, or might be eligible for Better Start, Disability Services Commission (DSC), National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) or My Way funding.

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