Consulting your audiologist prior to making an ACCESS REQUEST can provide you with the most recent and compelling support for your application.

ACE Audiology has clinics in Ivanhoe and Bulleen servicing the NDIS regions of North Eastern Melbourne (Banyule, Darebin, Nillumbik, Whittlesea and Yarra Councils) and Inner Eastern Melbourne (Boroondara, Manningham, Monash and Whitehorse Councils) respectively.

You can reach out to ACE Audiology for more information or bookings via https://www.aceaudiology.com.au/contact-us/

**STEP 1 - ELIGIBILITY**

You must be under the age of 65 at the time of application, have a permanent disability, be an Australia Citizen or hold a permanent visa or a protected special category

**STEP 2 – THE AUDIOLOGIST’S REPORT OF DISABILITY**

Obtain recent evidence of your permanent hearing disability from your Audiologist including a report that outlines the following;

* the degree of hearing loss
* speech discrimination test results in quiet and noise
* the impact of hearing loss on aspects of your life
* a summary of past treatments and outcomes
* proposed treatments and anticipated outcomes
* secondary disabilities

**STEP 3 – NDIS ACCESS REQUEST AND PLAN**

Call the NDIS on 1800 800 100 to make a verbal ACCESS REQUEST.

Once approved you will be able to meet with your NDIS appointed planner. Your plan should include the following;

* funding for hearing aids and assistive technology
* additional rehabilitation funding
* include the cost of your annual battery and maintenance program

**STEP 4 – CHOOSE YOUR HEARING SERVICES PROVIDER**

Conduct some research yourself to determine your preferred hearing services provider. Your planner may have some providers in mind however the choice is ultimately yours.