Comparison of Aged Care Packages and NDIS

# What’s similar?

* Personalisation
* Funding is allocated in the name of the consumer

# What’s different?

* Packages:
  + Aged Care packages: Packages are defined at four levels, ranging from $11,694 to $52,545 a year.
  + NDIS: There are no levels, with packages based on ‘reasonable and necessary’ supports.
* Customer contribution:
  + Aged Care packages: Customer contributions apply, with further contributions depending on income assessment.
  + NDIS: There is no customer contribution (for supports covered by the Scheme) and no means testing.
* Pricing:
  + Aged Care packages: Providers must disclose case management and administration fees, which are deducted from the package.
  + NDIS: There are maximum prices apply for most items. Price is per unit of service delivery and is all inclusive. Where the National Disability Insurance Agency includes support coordination, this is added to the overall package.
* Package management:
  + Aged Care: One provider coordinates all other providers.
  + NDIS: Customers may engage as many providers as they choose.
* Exit fees on changing provider:
  + Aged Care packages: Exit fees can apply.
  + NDIS: Exit fees are not permitted.

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