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MACASA SERVICES

- Meals: Fresh Home-delivered or Frozen pick-ups
- Monthly Activities: Salisbury, St Mary's & Cheltenham
- Bus Trips/Day Trips
- Transport Services
- Visiting/Social support
- Domestic Assistance

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BULLETIN

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Hello Service User,

I don't know about you but the first quarter of this year feels like it has just disappeared. Service User we have been quite busy this year with signing up 75 new clients since January. So I would like to welcome all of our new clients to the MACASA family, and we look forward to meeting you all at one of our monthly functions or on one of our bus trips, if we haven't met you in person as yet. So far this year we have enjoyed a movie day with lunch and a lovely day trip to Monarto Zoo.

Service User I hope that you and your families all had a safe and happy Easter and were able to celebrate with loved ones or just enjoy the long weekend.

As many of you would know we started our new Summer menu in March which will be available until 30 May 2017. The summer 3 course menu gives you a choice between a soup or an entrée, for those that don't want a hot soup in summer, as well as a choice of two mains and a dessert. Many of our favourite menu items are still available however we have a number of new menu items which are proving to be very popular. During the first 4 weeks we sold out of a number of the new items each week. The kitchen are busy trying to keep up with demand and stock additional meals in the freezer for our frozen clients. We appreciate your understanding if you are unable to get all your meal choices. A copy of the new menu is enclosed for your convenience and for any of our clients that need another copy or those who would like to start our meals service. Service User you can also download the menu from our website www.macasa.org.au and click on the services link. Service User if you have any questions about our services please give the office a call on 8241 0266.

Service User, I would like to thank all of you who have already contacted My Aged Care and obtained their AC number. With the impending changes in June 2018 I would like to urge you to contact My Aged Care to ensure that you are ready for the changes and your services can continue uninterrupted. My Aged Care can be contacted by phoning 1800 200 422 or on the internet at www.myagedcare.gov.au.

Warm Regards, Madeleine.





SA Health Department's Annual Influenza Program from the SA Health website about the program.

Each year a seasonal flu (influenza) vaccine is developed to protect you against the most common strains of flu for that year. The flu can be very serious leading to complications such as pneumonia, myocarditis (inflammation of heart), neurologic conditions and other bacterial infections.

Vaccine recommendations

Quadrivalent influenza vaccines (QIV) are available in Australia and contain antigens of four infuenzae strains (two A strains and two B strains).

The seasonal flu vaccine is recommended for any person aged six months of age and over who wishes to reduce the likelihood of becoming ill with the seasonal flu.

As part of the Annual Influenza Program, free <u>flu vaccination</u> is available for people who are at greater risk of developing complications if they get the flu.

The flu vaccine is free to:

- everyone aged 65 years and over
- all pregnant women (including those in the first trimester)
- all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children aged 6 months up to 5 years of age
- all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people 15 years of age and
- people six months of age or older with the following underlying chronic medical conditions:
 - cardiac disease
 - chronic respiratory conditions including severe asthma
 - other chronic illnesses requiring regular medical follow up or hospitalisation in the previous year, for example diabetes, chronic renal (kidney) failure, chronic metabolic disease and haemoglobinopathies
 - chronic neurological conditions that may impact on respiratory function including multiple sclerosis, spinal cord injuries, seizure disorders and other neuromuscular disorders
 - people with impaired immunity, including HIV infection, malignancy and chronic steroid use
 - children on long term aspirin therapy

How the vaccine is given: Flu vaccine is given into the top of the arm in all over 12 months of age.

Possible side effects: Like any medications, the seasonal flu vaccine can have some minor and short lasting side effects.

Common side effects may include:

- pain, redness and swelling where you were immunised
- drowsiness, tiredness or irritability
- muscle aches
- low grade fever of 37 to 38 degrees Celsius.

Some side effects may appear as 'flu like symptoms', but all flu vaccine currently available in Australia do not contain live virus and cannot cause a flu infection.

Rare side effects may include numbness, tingling of the skin and nerve pain, Guillan-Barré (one in a million) or a severe allergic reaction.

If you are concerned or worried, seek further advice from your doctor, immunisation provider, <u>SA Health's Immunisation Section</u> or <u>healthdirect Australia</u>.

Any unexpected event following immunisation should be reported to SA Health.

Reducing the side effects: Many of the common side effects can often be reduced by:

- drinking extra fluids
- resting
- taking paracetamol as per the instructions on the packet/bottle
- not overdressing if you are already hot.

Where to get immunised: To receive the vaccine contact your doctor, local council, community health centre or Aboriginal health centre to arrange an appointment.







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| Client Xmas Lunch Volunteer/Staff Xmas Lunch |
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| School holidays |
| Public Holiday |

HAHNDORF 17 MAY

Service User join us on 17th May with a bus trip to Hahndorf in the lovely Adelaide Hills. The bus will pick you up from home and drop you home in the afternoon, there will be a lovely morning tea along the way with lunch in Hahndorf. More information will be sent to you once we have finalised the bookings. Please call the office to book your seat as these trips book out fast Service User. The cost is \$30 which includes transport, morning tea and lunch.

Call 8241 0266 to book.



January & February Birthdays

Aaron Powell Allen Greer Monte Dimech Angela Constable Anna Stefanino Anna Gauci Anna Galanis Anne Seed Tonya Zammit Audrey Jackson **Betty Loveder Bev Vickery Bob Alexander** Brenda Harrison **Brian Cox Brigitte Stanford** Charlie Vidal Carmen Tabone Claire Geller Colin Scott Concetta Scarinci Coral Wilson Cynthia Repo Darlene Ho **David Wells David Leith Debbie Phillips** Denise Magee Don Caruso **Edmond Campbell** Edna Greenland Elena Karnauch

Erica Deverson Filomena Girolamo Flora Mccourty Fr Gabriel Micallef Francis Busuttil Furta Camilleri Gloria Buhagiar Gracie Sevchell **Gregory Mihailoff** Helen Borg Helen English Ricky Coure **Hugh Fisher** Immacolata Gallina Irene Mason Jack Falk Jack Geller Jacqueline Najjar Janet White Janet Egan Jasmine George Jean Peach Jeffrey Burg Jessie Caruana Jimmy Farrugia Joan Hedley Joe Pappalardo Joe Bell John Axisa Gianni Bonnici John Fabri John Connell

Jessie Borg Joyce Selvatico Judith Mcphee Judy Schofield Juliana Coates-Whitson Kay Abbott Laura Armstrong Laurel Mcgree Laurel Best Leli Saliba **Leonard Gregory** Lilian Mifsud Lilly Attard Lora Baldacchino Lori Stoll Lorraine Sansome Louise Norris Lyn Howard Lynette Fryar Margaret Becker Margaret Townsend Connie Vidal Maria Arena Maria Falzon Marilyn Robertson Marlene Prince Mary Le Leu Mary Connell Mary Sammut Maureen Williams Mauricio Zelaya Michael Goyan Molly Haskard Nan Beard Nancy Lampre Nick Cutejar Noel Buck Nora Varcoe Patriana Halilovic Patricia Pawelski

Patricia Henderson Percy Grosser Peter Becker Peter Dodworth Philies Hatvani **Bob Carter** Rodney Kohler Ronald Spencer Rose Whatley Salvu Fenech Sandy Forbes Sean Stack Shirley Copley Shirley Desira Spiro Vassallo Stephen Twilley Steven Freemantle Suan Quag Tran Terence Reynolds Teresa Parker-Elliot Teresa Greck Thekla Ganser Theresa Camilleri Zena Molinari Thurza Guthrie Tony Vassallo Trevor Pedler Vaclovas Petruska Valda Watts Valerie Kenny Valerie Busuttil Vicki Muscat Vince Abela Violet Newchurch William Bell Win Wride Yvonne Shelton Yvonne Van Geel Yvonne Jackaman

Zahira Hamood



March & April Birthdays

Anastasios Karagiolis Anna Szokalski Annette Moretti Annie Lawson Antonia Tsatsos Asunta Giovannini Ataollah Soroosh **Babette Black** Barbara Fava Barbara Holt Barbara Mutton Bernadette Tudini Bozena Cabaj Brigitte Antoniou Carolyn Ackland Catherine Bartolo Catherine Vella Charlie Zammit Christine Kite

Christine Mackenzie

Dawn Deuter

Donald Hardy Doris Gatt Doris Pace Elvira Transini Emma Ellul **Emmanouil Stergiou** Ennio Gobbo Florence Monahan Francesca Ripepi Francis Spiteri Frank Grima George Bonnici George Kay George Giorgas Gertrude Champion Graeme Clark Gwen Minge Harry Bugeja Harry Biza Helen Pitsillou Hildegard Forster Honor Coulter

Horest Bianco Ines Spiteri Jan Lambe Jean Griffiths Joe Briffa Joe Cassar Johann Ganser John Collins John Davis Joyce Young Kaethe Schulze Katie Mifsud Ken Mullan Kenneth Jones Kenneth Linford Laurel Johns Lawrie Cassar Leonard Pike Linda Zec Lotte Gisi Ludmila Spurling Maera Zahra Kay Danvers Margaret Brown Maria Busuttil Connie Caruana Maria Pulis Marie Saad

Marlene Farrugia

Martin Handrick

Mary Caruana Mary Borg Max Gray Melva Michaelis Michelina Ciccolella Neil Young Neville Robertson Olena Kawka Olivia Schollar Pam Deacon Pam Dunn Patricia Harmer Patrick Footman Paul Scerri Peg Heinrich Peter Mcconnachy Raymond Charlton Ron Flaherty Rosemary Godfrey Ruhallah Safaee Salvatore Raco Shirley Erickson Sylvia Moller Theodora Vassallo Theresa Buhagiar Tom Borg Tom Zammit Tony Bayadi Tony Fava Tony Vassallo Bill Coulter



5 things you need to know about NDIS in South Australia

The National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) is the new way of providing individualised support for people with disability, their families and carers. The NDIS is insurance, which gives us all peace of mind. Disability can affect anyone and having the right support makes a big difference.

The NDIS provides eligible people a flexible, whole-of-life approach to the support they need to pursue their goals. It also fosters social inclusion and economic participation.

1. What

The Commonwealth and South Australian governments have agreed on how the NDIS will be rolled out in South Australia. The NDIS is currently available for children aged 13 years and under.

2. When

The NDIS is a big change and it will be progressively rolled out in South Australia. People will move to the NDIS at different times depending on age and where they live. The NDIS will be operating state-wide for all age groups by July 2018.

Adelaide Metropolitan areas

Eastern Adelaide

The NDIS will become available for adults aged 18 to 64 years in the Eastern Adelaide region from 1 April 2018. A person may meet the access requirements to become a participant of the NDIS up to 6 months prior to this date.

The Eastern Adelaide region covers the local government areas of

City of Adelaide City of Burnside

City of Campbelltown The City Of Norwood, Payneham & St Peters

City of Prospect City of Unley

Corporation of the Town of Walkerville

Northern Adelaide

The Northern Adelaide region covers the local government areas of

City of Playford City of Salisbury

City of Port Adelaide Enfield (East) City of Tea Tree Gully

A person may meet the access requirements to become a participant of the NDIS up to 6 months prior to the rollout in these districts.

The NDIS will become available for adults aged 18 to 64 years in the City of Playford, City of Salisbury and City of Port Adelaide Enfield (East) local government areas from 1 July 2017.

The NDIS will become available for adults aged 18 to 64 years in the City of Tea Tree Gully local government area from 1 October 2017.

5 things you need to know about NDIS in South Australia ... Cont.

Southern Adelaide

The NDIS will become available for adults aged 18 to 64 years in the Southern Adelaide region from 1 January 2018. A person may meet the access requirements to become a participant of the NDIS up to 6 months prior to this date.

The Southern Adelaide region covers the local government areas of

City of Holdfast Bay City of Marion

City of Mitcham City of Onkaparinga

Western Adelaide

The NDIS will become available for adults aged 18 to 64 years in the Western Adelaide region from 1 April 2018. A person may meet the access requirements to become a participant of the NDIS up to 6 months prior to this date.

The Western Adelaide region covers the local government areas of

City of Charles Sturt City of West Torrens

City of Port Adelaide Enfield (West)

3. Who?

1 February 2016— Children 0–14 years old— State-wide

1 January 2017— Young people 15–17 years old— State-wide

1 July 2017 - 30 June 2018—Adults 18-64 years old—Roll out will be based on where you live

4. How will the NDIS be rolled out in South Australia?

The NDIS is being introduced in stages, because it's a big change and it is important to get it right and make it sustainable. Existing service users and new participants will enter the scheme progressively. The NDIS is expected to cover all of South Australia and all age groups by July 2018, ultimately providing support to about 32,000 people with disability.

From 1 February 2016, children aged between 0 to 14 years of age across South Australia will continue to enter the NDIS.

From 1 January 2017, young people aged between 15 and 17 years of age across South Australia will begin to enter the NDIS.

From 1 July 2017, adults aged 18 to 64 years of age will begin to enter the NDIS based on where they live.

When the NDIS commences in a region, people currently receiving supports through South Australian Government specialist disability services will be moving first.

You may meet the access requirements up to six months prior to the NDIS rolling out in your area.

For more information, please visit Access requirements.

Existing Commonwealth and state-based services and supports will continue until eligible people with disability start their plans with the NDIS.

For adults aged 18 to 64 years of age receiving supports from the existing South Australian specialist disability system, the start date for transition to the NDIS will be based on where they live. The roll out areas are listed below and more information about specific regions is available from the South Australian Government regions (New window) webpage.

5. What can I do to prepare?

If you currently receive disability services and are eligible to enter the NDIS, you will be contacted before you transition. If you are currently not receiving support, you may still be able to access the NDIS.

Check the information and resources available at NDIS in South Australia at www.ndis.gov.au or



2017 - 4 WEEK MENU Ph: 8241 0266

| WEEK 1 | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY |
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| ENTREE | Cauliflower (LG) OR Cannellini Bean & Tuna Salad (LG)* | Pea & Ham (LG) OR Spinach & Feta Muffin | Beef & Barley OR Bean & Rocket Salad (∟G) * | Potato & Leek(∟G) OR Pasta Salad* | Vegetable Risoni OR Corn Fritters w Sweet Chilli |
| MAIN | Chicken Korma & Rice (LG) OR Pork Schnitzel & Veg | Roast Turkey & Veg (LG) OR Lamb Ragu & Pasta | Spaghetti Bolognese OR Baked Chicken Breast & Veg (LG) | Chicken Stir fry OR Beef Sausages & Veg | Crumbed Fish & Veg OR Chicken Salad w Mango Chutney & Yoghurt (LG)* |
| DESSERT | Apple Crumble | Fruit Salad• (LG) | Berry Pudding | Creamed Rice (LG) | Lemon Meringue Tart |
| WEEK 2 | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY |
| ENTREE | Pumpkin (LG) OR Vegetable Frittata (LG) | Chicken & Corn (LG) OR Pearl Couscous w Beetroot & Pumpkin Salad* | Pasta Fagiole (LG) OR Chicken w Sesame Slaw (LG) * | Chicken Noodle (LG) OR Carrot Cheese & Chive Muffin | Vegetable (LG) OR Tossed Salad w Egg & Cheese (LG)* |
| MAIN | Maltese Beef Pie (LG) OR Chicken Schnitzel & Veg | Chicken Cottage Pie OR Baked Rice (LG) | Tuna Mornay OR Beef Meatballs & Veg | Roast Lamb & Veg (LG) OR Turkey Patties & Veg | Steamed Fish w Capers & Veg(LG) OR Beef & Barley Salad w Marmalade Dressing* |
| DESSERT | Fruit Salad* (LG) | Apricot Crumble | Cherry Cake | Sago & Plum Pudding (LG) | Fruit Fool (LG) |
| WEEK 3 | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY |
| ENTREE | Zucchini (LG) OR Roast Vegetable Couscous* | Primavera (LG) OR Savoury Muffin | Pumpkin & Potato (LG) OR Com Fritters w Sweet Chilli | Lentil (LG) OR Corn Avocado & Chickpea Salad* | Mushroom OR Sweet Potato & Bacon Slice* |
| MAIN | Sesame Lamb & Bean Noodles OR Baked Fish w Cherry Tomatoes, Olives & Veg (LG) | Roast Pork & Veg (LG) OR Lemongrass Chicken & Rice (LG) | Corned Silverside & Veg (LG) OR Chicken Casserole (LG) | Baked Chicken Alfredo OR Veal Parmigiana & Veg (LG) | Tuna Patties & Veg OR Turkey & Avocado Salad(LG) * |
| DESSERT | Irish Apple Cake | Fruit Salad | Pear & Rhubarb Crumble | Chocolate Pudding | Bread & Butter Pudding |
| WEEK 4 | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY |
| ENTREE | Vegetable (LG) OR Carrot Cheese & Chive Muffin | Chickpea (LG) OR Chicken & Pasta Salad* | Sweet Potato (LG) OR Quiche of the day | Chicken Broth (∟G) OR Potato Salad w Egg & Bacon* | Pumpkin (LG) OR Tossed Salad w Egg & Cheese (LG) * |
| MAIN | Butter Chicken, Veg & Rice OR Beef Stroganoff | Roast Beef & Veg (LG) OR Fish Pie w Three Veg | Zucchini Slice OR Chicken Carbonara (Pasta) | Beef Schnitzel OR Thai Chicken Fillet & Veg (LG) | Battered Fish & Veg OR Lamb & Pearl Couscous Salad* |
| DESSERT | Fruit Salad* (LG) | Pears & Chocolate Mousse (LG) | Trifle** | Cheesecake & Peaches | Carrot Cake |

*Not available for frozen orders **No Custard for frozen orders (LG) Gluten Free –May contain traces of Gluten

2017 REQUIREMENTS

1. My Aged Care:

- As a reminder, all clients will receive a call from one of the MACASA Volunteers who are conducting client reassessments and updating our MACASA database with all your current details.
- By July 2018 all current clients must have registered with My Aged Care on 1800 200 422 to obtain an AC client number. All clients Australia wide, for all Aged Care Services (meals, domestic assistance, transport, functions etc), are required to register with My Aged Care. MACASA request that you contact My Aged Care on 1800 200 422 prior to July 2017 to register with My Aged Care as we expect the backlog will be huge.
- My Aged Care will perform an assessment with you and then send through your Assessment with Reference Numbers to MACASA for processing.

2. **MACASA Functions**: Changes and requirements going forward:

- All clients or families must ring one (1) week prior to any MACASA function to book attendance and transport requirements. Unfortunately our office staff will no longer be able call all clients due to increasing client numbers.
- Clients are also required to give 24 hours notice when cancelling transport for any function.
- MACASA staff will phone you (the client) with the confirmed time of pick up the day prior to any function as per our usual arrangement.

Available Services from MACASA

Domestic Assistance

Domestic help services can support you with practical tasks such as general thrusework and shopping. Services like these rolly help you to remain in sependent in your own targets.

Domestic assistance can be provided 1 hr per week or 2 hours per 10 thight at a cost to you of \$10.00 per hour.

Transport

Transport services can help to get you to and from your appointments and around your community.

Transport can be provided by a volunteer if available or via taxi vouchers.



Meals

Meals and other food services can help you maintain a healthy, balanced diet. These services may support you to stay in your own home. MACASA provide home cooked meals as both fresh (delivered



daily) and frozen deliveries (delivered weekly) depending on your suburb. A 3 course meal is \$8.00.

Social support

Social support services can help you to maintain an active social life by having someone visit you in your home, or by arranging visits and outings in the community. Would you like to meet new people, try

something new or just have some company on a regular basis.

Contact the office so that we can discuss your social needs and goals.



Handy contact numbers....





myagedcare Ph: 1800 200 422

myagedcare.gov.au



Older Australians: 132 300 MyGov: 132 307 Carers: 132 717 Multilingual Service: 131 202

www.humanservices.gov.au



Disability SA - Ph: 8415 4250



National Dementia Helpline - Ph: 1800 100 500 Alzheimer's Australia SA - Ph: 8372 2100 https://www.fightdementia.org.au/



Beyond Blue Support Line - Ph: 1300 22 46 36

https://www.beyondblue.org.au



SAPOL Attendance: Ph: 131 444

SAPOL Emergency - Ph: 000

Who is MACASA...

Full Name: Tony Caruana

Birth Place: Toorak Gardens Adelaide Occupation: Retired, MACASA Volunteer

Star Sign: Gemini
Siblings: 6
Marital Status: Married

Children: 3 Children & 7 Grandchildren

High School: St Michaels
Started at MACASA: 2007/2009
Favourite Colour: Blue

Food: Għaġin—Italian / Maltese & Asian
Movie: Indiana Jones Movies & Walk the Line
Actor: Harrison Ford, Dave Allen & Carl Barron

Song: Time to say Goodbye

Singer: Cat Stevens, Dean Martin, Johnny Cash &

Andrea Boccelli

Group: Easy Beats, Beatles & Rolling Stones
TV Show: Current Affairs, Come Dine with Me UK,
Detective Shows, News & NCIS

Hobbies: Gardening, Helping Other People, MACASA

Sports Played: Soccer

Most Memorable Moment: Getting married & having a family

Favourite Work Place: Home—pottering around.

