ABSTRACT:

EARLY CHILDHOOD EARLY INTERVENTION APPROACH IN AUSTRALIA UNDER THE NATIONAL DISABILITY INSURANCE SCHEME.



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Early Childhood Early Intervention is an integral part of building the basis for a life full of potential and self fulfilment. As a partner in the community with the National Disability Insurance Scheme in Australia, Northcott are pivotal in the relationship building and capacity building of families at often their most vulnerable. An overview of the pathway and success stories towards intervention and development for families, along with a look at how we engage with our Native Aboriginal Families to assist in closing the gap and work towards inclusion and equality with all families. Generational concerns, historical sensitivities and connections in understanding not only Autism, however Developmental delay, the strength of a family unit, and building a safe place for families to build and move forward, will leave attendees motivated and acknowledge Northcott Australia as being a leader as a Partner in the Community with the National Disability Insurance Scheme.

BIOGRAPHY:

Maree Bisby has an extended knowledge of working in the Early Years through her dedication as an Educator in many formats of Child care and Education within Australia. Maree is a very proud Aboriginal woman from the Wiradjuri Tribe who prides herself on her ability to relate to all Communities and spread the message of inclusion and safety for our vulnerable families. Maree has the ability to captivate her audience with lived experience of living with a disability and raising a child undiagnosed until the age of 16 with Autism. Maree is also an International selling Aboriginal artist and has an amazing ability to tell stories through her artwork. Working within her role as Community Capacity Building Manager, Maree and her team have been able to consistently build connections to spread the word of the Early Childhood Early Intervention pathway in Australia focusing on the State of New South Wales.

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