

Catchment area

The Access and Support program is available in the following areas:

- Baw Baw
- East Gippsland
- Wellington
- Bass Coast



Further information

Your local Dementia Access and Support program is provided by Latrobe Community Health Service.

**Call 1800 242 696
or visit lchs.com.au**

Dementia Access and Support

Helping you get the support you need

The Dementia Access and Support program is funded by:

- The Commonwealth Home Support Programme (CHSP) to support people aged 65 and over (50 and over for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders); and
- The HACC Program for Younger People to support people aged under 65.

These services work with you to stay living at home, active and connected with your community.



What is Dementia Access and Support?

The Dementia Access and Support program helps people who have difficulty finding out about services or applying for the services they need.

The Dementia Access and Support program provides short term support for people living with memory loss, confusion or who have a diagnosis of dementia and their carers who:

- Need help to stay living at home
- Have diverse needs or circumstances
- Need help to access services

The Dementia Access and Support program is a short term service that is provided **free** of charge to eligible clients.

All of your information remains confidential.

We will listen to you

The Dementia Access and Support worker will talk with you about:

- What is most important to you to maintain independence
- What services could support you to stay safe and well at home
- What you want to be able to do or keep doing

The Dementia Access and Support worker can discuss the range of support services that may be available to you and how to access them.

The Dementia Access and Support worker will work in partnership with other people who support you such as family members, friends, your community, your doctor and other health professionals.



How can a Dementia Access and Support worker help you?

A Dementia Access Support Worker can help you to:

- Contact My Aged Care (if you are an older person / over 65)
- Contact an assessment service for HACC – Program for Younger People (if you are a younger person / under 65)
- Contact the National Disability Insurance Scheme (if you think that you may be eligible for this service)
- Think about any questions you have for the assessment process
- Understand how services work
- Understand the steps involved to apply for a service
- Find out if there are any costs involved
- Find out what services may be available and how they can suit your needs and lifestyle
- Think about how you would like the service to be provided.

