2PS – GROWING CAPACITY IN SCHOOLS

Physical, Sensory and Psychosocial Skills

Consultative Physiotherapy and Occupational Therapy Program Information

This program is provided by PANDA Physiotherapy in Tasmania and is staffed by Physiotherapists, Occupational Therapists and Support Staff.

The purpose of the program is to support education staff to meet the diverse learning needs of students with disability with associated physical (gross and fine motor) and sensory needs, and/or need support with psychosocial skills, otherwise known as life skills and activities of daily living. Teachers, not students, are the clients of The 2PS service.

Service Provision

- Professional learning opportunities for education staff (teachers and teacher assistants)
- Assistance for education staff with resource development (gross, fine and life skills programs)
- Assistance with screening of students to assist teachers to cater for the learning needs of students (through programming advice), with a view to maximising their engagement and learning
- Providing other incidental support (e.g. addressing minor equipment needs).

How can you access the 2PS Program?

- Identify the area of need within your school and complete the Initial Contact Request form. This must be completed by teaching staff, referrals are not accepted from parents, allied health professionals etc. internal or external to the school.
- Staff from PANDA will contact you for further information.

Which schools are eligible for the 2PS Program?

- All government schools in Tasmania

Note: This program does not undertake individual assessments, parent education, home programs or ongoing therapy. If a student requires an individual assessment that cannot be otherwise provided by an alternative service approval must be requested from the Manager of Disability Services.
How can schools nominate for the 2PS Program?

Nominations can be made by education staff (support teachers, principals and teachers) who are able to outline school priorities. Other support staff (e.g. SLP and Psych) may also have input into the nomination. Send completed Initial Contact Forms (available on the staff intranet) to Lewina Schrale.

If you have any questions about a nomination please contact us via email.

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