## Plan Manage Assist Are Different From Other NDIS Plan Managers



**Sydney, New South Wales Feb 7, 2022 (<u>Issuewire.com</u>) - Parents who have a child with a disability often go through a whirlwind of emotions that do not distract them from the joy of having a beautiful child.** 

Plan Manage Assist (PMA) Founding Partner, John Collins, has firsthand experience of raising a child with a disability. As a result, he has built a business that is passionate about helping parents alike understand that children with a disability are just like everyone else. His daughter Emily, is non-verbal and has a dual disability of Down Syndrome and Autism.

When he thinks of Emily, he thinks about her like every other parent.

"I don't see someone with a disability, I see a pretty young girl who will share many of the same feelings, hopes, interests, and dreams that other girls have. She will also face the same challenges with friends, school, socially and at work," John said.

For Emily, communication has always been a challenge. To help communicate with Emily, he takes a multidisciplinary communication approach. Such as sign language, gestures, Picture Exchange (PECS), some basic words, and now an App called Proloquo to Go.

John said, "to any other parent or carer, I would say never give up, just because one approach doesn't work never hesitate to try something else as you never know what might work."

From John's experience in raising a child with a disability, he believes that successes come not only from his own knowledge of his daughter Emily, but that he and his wife partnered with numerous speech therapists, occupational therapists, exercise physiologists, and many carers. He believes that everyone needs to be on the same page including schools and support providers to help children with a disability be the best person they can be.

"From our perspective, it's worth investing time to find the right school and support for any child, and you only get out what you put in. Many of the schools and carers become like extended families, the teachers can be amazing, and you will meet lifelong friends," said John.

## STRUGGLES AND DEMANDS ARE HAVING A CHILD WITH A DISABILITY

Having a child with a disability can impact relationships and life is filled with challenges. However, John Collins expressed that the successes that they've had are what makes his daughter Emily special.

"We can see how hard she tries with everything, and how frustrated she is when she can't communicate what she wants from time to time. Emily is a young woman with feelings and emotions she wants to share, so being frustrated occasionally is understandable," said John.

Other founding partners, Kathleen Collins (John's wife), John Corrigan, and Josephine Proust, have families with disabilities. PMA NDIS Plan Managers are passionate about disability and pride themselves on being different from other providers. They have first-hand experience and knowledge as they have been through the journey and understand the frustrations and the challenges you can go through. PMA offers NDIS Plan Management so your NDIS Plan can be made stress-free.

To have the confidence and support that you need in your journey with the NDIS, contact Plan Manage Assist. About Plan Manage Assist Plan Manage Assist (PMA) was founded by two families who are passionate about disability. Both families have members with disabilities and found there was very little out there to assist people who wanted to plan and manage their NDIS funding with care and compassion.

They walk in your shoes and understand the frustrations you can go through during your NDIS journey. Plan Manage Assist has in-depth experience from both sides and delivers a personal and quality-driven plan management service with financial expertise.





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