**Quick Reference Guide to Purchasing Options**

**for Enabling Good Lives Participants**

**Background**

Until recently, Manawanui have supported EGL participants to manage their personal budgets and purchase the supports, services and things that assist them to lead a good life. The introduction of Flexible Disability Support (FDS) Contracted Providers gives participants more choice around the assistance they receive to manage their budgets and purchase the supports they need.

A small number of participants have found it difficult to manage their budgets and may wish to move their budgets to a FDS contracted provider. Other participants may wish to move some of their budgets to a FDS contracted provider and leave some with Manawanui.

The first process that follows outlines the steps that need to be taken to ensure a successful transition of budgets/partial budgets from Manawanui to a FDS provider. The second outlines the steps that need to be taken to support a new participant to consider and choose who will assist them with their budget management.

**Processes**

**Participants transferring their funding from Manawanui to a Flexible Disability Support Contracted Provider**

EGL participant (and/or their representative) is made aware of Flexible Disability Support Contracted Providers as an alternative option for purchasing support

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EGL participant meets with FDS provider/s (and Manawanui if appropriate) to discuss possible support arrangements linked to outcomes identified in their ‘My Plan’ including the cost of support

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EGL participant contacts Manawanui and the Lifelinks EGL Facilitator and informs them of their wish to transfer some, or all, of their personal budget to a FDS provider/s including a preferred start date

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Lifelinks EGL Facilitator confirms participants remaining budget amount held by Manawanui and agrees the amount to be transferred to the FDS provider/s

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Lifelinks EGL Facilitator sends referral form to FDS provider/s, provider/s confirm acceptance of referral and start date, Facilitator send provider/s service authorisation

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Support commences under new arrangements

**New Participants choosing budget management support**

EGL participant (and/or their representative) is supported by a Navigator to develop their “My Plan’ and identify the outcomes that they may require some funding to help achieve

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EGL participant is identified to NASC who informs them of their personal budget amount

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Navigator introduces the range of purchasing options (Manawanui and the 11 FDS providers) to the participant. The participant may wish to meet and discuss potential support options with potential support providers

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EGL participant decides who they want to assist them to manage their budget and notifies the NASC

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Lifelinks EGL Facilitator sends referral form to FDS provider/s, provider/s confirm acceptance of referral and start date, Facilitator send provider/s service authorisation

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Support commences

**Purchasing Options**

The following host/providers are able to assist EGL participants manage their personal budgets and support them to purchase the supports, services and things that will assist them to lead a good life.

**Funding Host**

Manawanui InCharge Limited

**Flexible Disability Support Contracted Providers**

(see Flexible Disability Support Contracted Providers for further information)

Brackenridge Estate Limited

CCS Disability Action Canterbury West Coast Incorporated

EMERGE Aotearoa Limited

Hawksbury Community Living Trust

Hohepa Services Limited

IDEA Services Limited

NZCare Group Limited

Rosewood Limited

SkillWise - Span Charitable Trust

The Chris Ruth Centre Trust

The Florence Nightingale Agency Limited

The Host and FDS Providers have been asked to provide a profile of themselves and what they able to offer to EGL participants as well as a key contact person. It is envisaged that these details will be posted on the EGL website by 2nd May.