

**Capability Funding:**

**Grants for groups of   
disabled people and whānau**



**Easy Read**

**What is the capability fund for?**

The fund in this document is called the **capability fund**.

A **fund** is money that we can give to people to do things with.

**Capability** means that a person or group of people is able to do something they:

* want to do
* need to do.

**Who can get the capability funding?**



The capability fund is to help support groups of disabled people to be able to do more things.



The capability fund promotes the **Enabling Good** **Lives** approach.



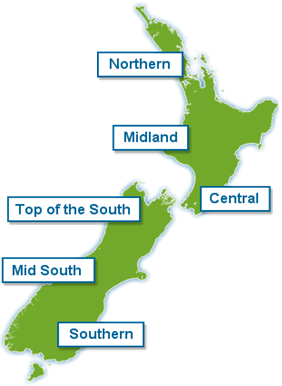
You can apply to get funding if you are:

* a group of disabled people
* a group of families with disabled people in the families.

The capability fund must be used to make things better for the:

* group of people you are applying for

**or**

* the group of families / whānau/ aiga you are applying for.

The capability fund is only for people who live in the **MidCentral DHB region**.

**What sort of things can get funding?**



The capability fund can support groups to do more than they are doing already.

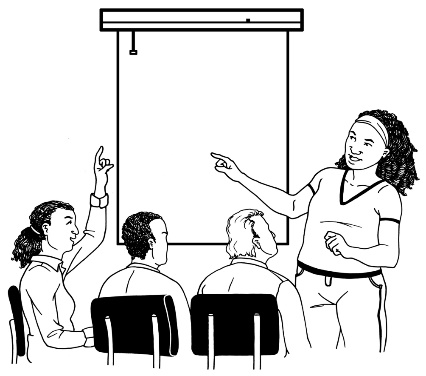
Here are some **examples** of the things the capability fund can support.

1. ** Families coming together to:**

* share ideas
* plan for the future for their disabled teenagers.

Funding can support families to come together at:

* workshops
* wānanga.

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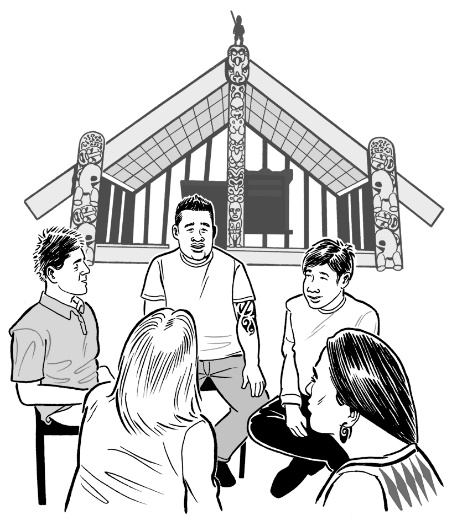
1. **A talk with information about how to choose a disability support service.**
2. **Support young disabled people who are leaving school to find mentors.**

A **mentor** is a person who:

* gives someone advice
* tells someone how to do things the mentor has already done.

Having a mentor would make it easier for young disabled people to:

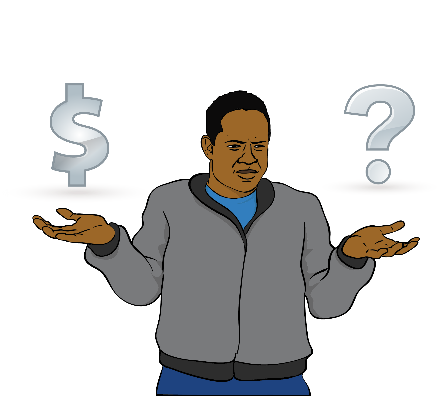
* meet people who live near them
* do things with other people.

1. **Making support for disabled people in their:**

* whānau
* hapū
* iwi.

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1. **Workshops about:**

* working with your support people
* how to use the money you have to pay support people.

**Who chooses which groups   
get funding?**

The **Funding Panel** chooses who gets funding from the capability fund.

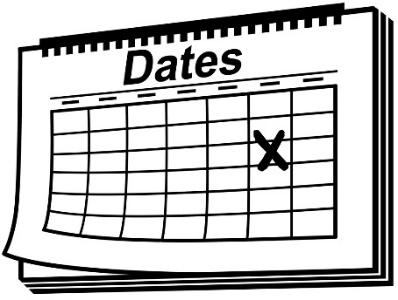


A **panel** is a group of people who are chosen to help make decisions about something.

  
  
The Funding Panel is part of the MidCentral Regional Leadership Group.

The Funding Panelis made up of:

* disabled people
* family / whānau / aiga of disabled people.



It will take the Funding Panel from 1 week to 1 month to let you know:

* if your group will get the funding you have asked for.

**How do I apply for funding?**



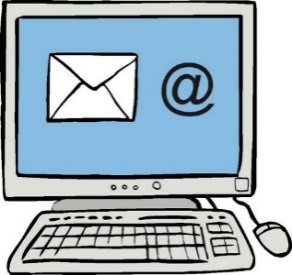
You can apply in a way that works best for you.

You can apply for capability funding by:

* making a short video



* a face to face presentation



* sending an email to:   
  **apply@manawhaikaha.co.nz**

A good way to start is by talking to the Fund Advisor.

The **Fund Advisor** can:

* tell you more about the funding
* help you apply for funding.

  
The Fund Advisor is Chris Potts.

Contact her by:

* texting:   
  **027 620 3036**
* calling:  
  **027 620 3036**
* emailing:  
   **apply@manawhaikaha.co.nz**



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