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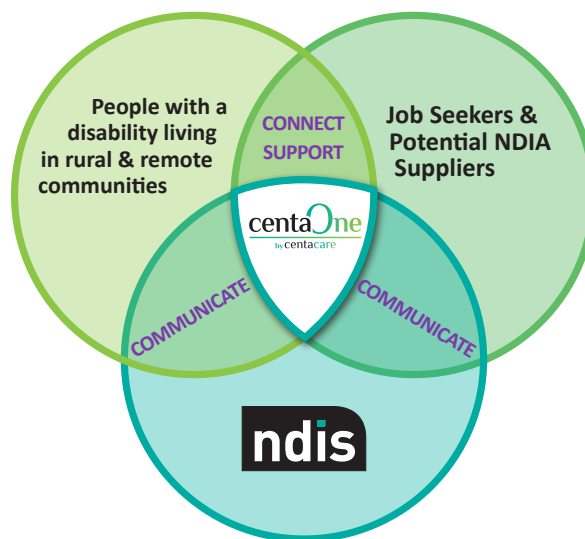
The rollout of the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) in rural and remote communities of Australia will be a new and exciting opportunity for community members across Far North Queensland. To meet the demand for support services, which will be created with significant new additional funds being provided to individuals, requires the development of a new place based workforce that currently does not exist. In many rural and remote communities we know there is often disengagement with agencies/services that are not from that community, and limited employment opportunities.

CentaOne is an opportunity to look differently at how the NDIS may be workable in rural and remote communities, offering a conduit between the National Disability Insurance Agency (NDIA) and rural/remote communities, to facilitate equitable access.

CentaOne, in essence, will be a collaboration of community services, government and business representatives linking already established programs, funded services and potential partners to provide an innovative platform to facilitate transition to the NDIS for our rural and remote communities in Far North Queensland.

The aim is to give the Far North Region the best chance to make a success of the opportunities presented by the NDIS, to provide more choice and control to people who have disabilities and employment opportunities to people looking for work within their own communities.

How We Envision CentaOne Will Work:



CentaOne is a solution that ultimately facilitates a quality disability workforce in rural and remote FNQ, which will revolve around a central dynamic website that can be accessed through a variety of avenues and supported by a team of dedicated people (CentaOne Team). You could consider this in effect to be a virtual remote area service provider, with the backing of a real team working behind the scenes to keep avenues of communication and support working efficiently.

CentaOne will include the following services:

- Links to and coordination of training, professional support and development
- Start-up guidance and support
- Registration of suitable service providers
- Mentoring and coaching of members
- Marketing and IT support
- Business administration, HR and NDIA billing support

CentaOne will complement and add value to the work already being undertaken by service providers in rural and remote communities.

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