

Counselling and Inclusion

Access Plans

For students living with disability, medical or mental health condition, developing an Access Plan is one way TAFE SA can assist you during your studies. Having an Access Plan at TAFE SA is a choice. An Access Plan assists students with communicating disability-related support needs to lecturers so that support and reasonable adjustments can be negotiated. It also details any agreed services provided by Counselling and Inclusion.

What is a 'reasonable adjustment'?

A reasonable adjustment is a measure or action that is taken to assist a student living with disability, medical or mental health condition to participate in training and assessment on the 'same basis as.'

Reasonable adjustments do not lower the academic standards of a course, nor do they provide students with an advantage.

How to set up your Access Plan?

You will need to make an appointment with Counselling and Inclusion to create an Access Plan and you will be required to provide documentation. This can be from a medical practitioner, psychologist or other accredited health or educational specialist. A Counselling and Inclusion staff member will assist you to identify your support needs to develop your Access Plan.

Confidentiality

Whilst your personal information will not be shared in the details of your Access Plan, if you feel any information will assist, including safety considerations in the training environment, please discuss this during your Access Plan appointment. Personal information provided by you is kept confidential with Counselling and Inclusion and is not shared without your consent.

What happens next with my Access Plan?

Once you have developed and approved your Access Plan, it will be sent to the educational contact of your course. You will also receive a copy of your Access Plan (either digital or hard copy) and it is your responsibility to provide a copy of your Access Plan to each of your lecturers. You can refer to your Access Plan to communicate and negotiate reasonable adjustments as needed. Counselling and Inclusion staff are available to support you with this process upon request.

For further information on Disability Support or to book an Access Plan appointment, please visit: https://students.tafesa.edu.au/getting-help/disability-support