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iPad Loaning Information for People with Aphasia

We hope that you find your iPad loan useful

iPad loaning is a Friends of AphasiaNZ service. The joining fee of \$25 (for a single person living alone) or \$30 (for a person with aphasia with a spouse/whānau) is used towards the costs of the programme, so that more people with aphasia can try an iPad.

The loaning programme is for people with aphasia who...

- Do not have their own device;
- Want to use the device for therapy, and self-directed practice;
- Want to see if an iPad is a good tool, before investing money in purchasing one.



iPads don't help everyone. Some people find them frustrating!

But if you are using it regularly and your loan time is nearly up, we encourage you to think about what next **before** it needs to be returned.

If you decide that you want to get your own iPad, but finances are a barrier and you are not sure how you can afford to buy one, there are some options.

Unfortunately, we are unable to extend the loan time, or give you a new iPad loan. We want to help you find a **permanent solution**.



Here are some ideas which may help...

Buy a refurbished (like new) iPad

Refurbished devices are cheaper than new ones, and usually just as good. Apple sells refurbished devices, as do some local IT or computer stores. Have a look here:

- <https://www.apple.com/nz/shop/refurbished/ipad>
- <https://reebelo.co.nz/collections/tablets>

Apply for funding

There are funding opportunities for people with disabilities. For example:

- Lottery Individuals with Disabilities
<https://www.communitymatters.govt.nz/lottery-individuals-with-disabilities/>
- Mike Pero Foundation <https://mikepero.com/foundation/>
- Mazda Foundation <https://mazdafoundation.org.nz>

Seek help from your community

What groups or clubs were you involved with prior to acquiring aphasia? Rotary? Lions? Your local church? Would the group run a fundraising event for you - a sausage sizzle or silent auction?

Crowdfunding – Setting up a public page to raise funds

People can seek financial help online for things they need while recovering from or dealing with an illness or medical condition, or other situation which results in unexpected costs:

- Givealittle <https://givealittle.co.nz>
- GoFundMe <https://www.gofundme.com/en-au>

Feel free to contact the AphasiaNZ office on **07 220 9973** and ask to speak with **Emma** to discuss these ideas or ask about other solutions.

FAQS about the loaning programme – for people with aphasia and spouses/whānau

My wife/husband has an iPad in our home. Can I still borrow an AphasiaNZ device?

No, the programme is for **people who do not have a device at home**. But we will support and assist you with ideas for apps/software to try. There are lite/free versions of some apps to “*try before you buy*”. Your SLT may be able to help make recommendations.



My iPad loan is coming to an end. I want to get my own device, but I do not have the money to purchase an iPad. What can I do?

Have a look at the ***iPad loaning information for people with aphasia*** document for ideas, and feel free to contact us. As we cannot extend the loan time, it is better that you get in touch as early as possible.

I'd like my Father/Mother to trial an iPad, but s/he has never used one before and did not like using computers or technology before acquiring aphasia. Will it still help?

Possibly not, and the device may end up being a cause of great frustration for those who are unfamiliar with technology. But please get in touch with us to discuss options and other ideas for therapy practice.

If I get my own device, I'm worried about setting it up how I like to use it. Can you help?

Absolutely, AphasiaNZ can assist you with this. Either someone from the office or your CAA can help.

What my partner really needs is a communication tool or device. Can we use the AphasiaNZ iPad for this purpose?

AAC (**Alternative and Augmentative Communication**) is TalkLink Trust's area of expertise. You can contact them to discuss options for communication devices. AphasiaNZ iPads are not loaned as communication devices. Contact TalkLink here: <https://talklink.org.nz>