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Run by Northcott Disability Services, the Northcott Spina Bifida Group provides support and information to individuals with spina bifida and their families living in NSW and the ACT.

The Northcott Spina Bifida Group was formed in 1969 by a group of parents who were having difficulty finding support and information about Spina Bifida. In 1985, at the request of the group, Northcott assumed responsibility for the provision of services to members. The Group now has more than 230 members across NSW and the ACT.

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## Services

Group services provided through Northcott include:

- Supporting members by facilitating contact between families and individuals
- Producing the bi-annual magazine, *Torque*
- Disseminating information to families, teachers and the general public
- Conducting an annual Spina Bifida Awareness Week campaign (September 1-7)
- Subsidising the purchase of incontinence aids and equipment
- Maintaining a fully accessible holiday home at Budgewoi on the Central Coast.

Apart from these specific Northcott Spina Bifida Group services, individuals with spina bifida and their families can access Northcott's general disability services. These include: early intervention, individual and family support, respite, employment and community participation programs, independent living programs, equipment and technology, accommodation and recreation services.

## Eligibility

People with spina bifida and their families living in NSW and the ACT.

## Geographical area

New South Wales and the ACT.

## Funding

The Northcott Spina Bifida Group is run by Northcott Disability Services. The group also generates its own income, primarily through donations, contributing towards the cost of its services and specific projects.

\* An educational video for parents, produced by the Northcott Spina Bifida Group is available.

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