

SASRAPID Process

Process SASRAPID undertakes when developing an inclusive program in partnership with other organisations or venues.

Ascertain Need

Once SASRAPID is aware of a potential need/desire for an activity all relevant community organisations (eg schools, sheltered workshops, accommodation services) are surveyed to see if there is sufficient interest to develop a program. The survey may involve information in newsletters, contacting schools, parent / teacher councils etc.

Approaching Clubs

Clubs in various locations are then approached to establish whether they are interested in assisting to develop the program. Accessibility is a priority, particularly with bus / train routes. Another consideration is spreading the availability of the activity throughout the metropolitan area to reduce travel time for participants.

Appoint a Coordinator

A Coordinator for the program is then appointed. This person may be identified through SASRAPID's volunteer database, or through the recreation or sporting club involved with the program.

Program Organised

A meeting is arranged with the club, the coordinator, the centre at which the activity is to be based, the peak association for the activity and any relevant parties in order to design an initial program.

Information is then sent to community organisations and/or the respondents to the original survey. The flyer will inform potential participants of the day, time, venue, cost, transport available and the appropriate clothing and healthy choice messages related to the "Have a Go" day. Upon arrival participants will be divided into teams for the "Have a Go". If this trial is a success the program will then be established for continuation the following week/s or at a time that is convenient for all the key stakeholders involved.

Provide Support

The coordinator of the program attends all sessions of the activity and acts as a conduit liaising with SASRAPID, the generic sporting body, venue, coaches, umpires and most importantly the participants and their families / carers.

Monitor Inclusion

The coordinator will endeavour to ensure that all participants will be included in all aspects of the game. The coordinator may also follow up participants who may stop attending the program in order to identify issues and/or any need to modify the program. The coordinator will also identify participants who may have gained the necessary skills and ability required to integrate into a "regular" club.

Amend Program

As programs develop, issues do arise that need to be addressed. For example - there are varying levels of ability in the indoor cricket program; therefore SASRAPID is currently endeavouring to establish an A and B program. This would ensure participants are competing with/against others of similar abilities as well as develop a pathway from basic skill/beginners to the more experienced players. The outcome will be a pathway through to a "regular" club / competition for those players who may eventually gain the required skills.