

## How we will review the NDIS

**Australian Government**



**Easy English**

## Hard words



This book has some hard words.

The first time we write a hard word

- the word is in **blue**
- we write what the hard word means.

## You can get help with this book



You can get someone to help you

- read this book
- know what this book is about



- find more information.

We will write contact information at the end of this book.

## About this book



This book is from the Australian Government.



This book is about the review of the **National Disability Insurance Scheme** or **NDIS**.



The NDIS helps many people with disability get supports and services they need.



The review will look at how to make the NDIS better.



We want everyone to

- trust the NDIS

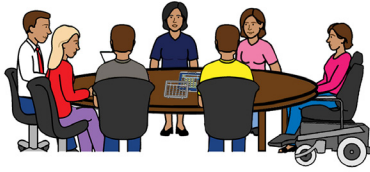


- be proud of the NDIS.



This book says how we will review the NDIS.

## Who will lead the review

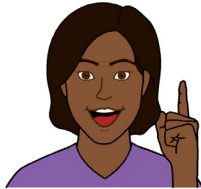


An **Independent Review Panel** will lead the review.



An Independent Review Panel is a group of people who

- do **not** work for the NDIS



- know a lot about disability and government.

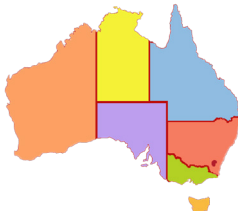


We will call them **the panel**.



The panel will report to the Disability Ministers in

- the Australian Government



- the state and territory governments.



The panel **co-chairs** are

- Bruce Bonyhady



- Lisa Paul.

**Co-chair** means people in charge of the panel.



The other panel members are

- Judy Brewer



- Kevin Cocks



- Kirsten Deane

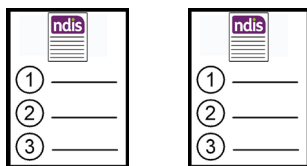


- Dougie Herd



- Stephen King.

## What the review will look at

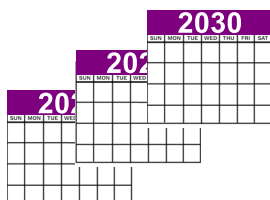


The review has 2 parts.



Part 1 will look at

- how to make the NDIS work better for people with disability



- how to make sure the NDIS can continue for a long time.



Part 2 will look at how to make services better.

For example

- how to help NDIS providers do a good job



- how to help workers get more skills



- how to make sure prices are right



- how people can get the right services.

## What we already know



People have said what they think about the NDIS in other reviews.



We know the NDIS has made things better for many people with disability.



We also know there are problems with the NDIS.



People with disability often do **not** get a say in NDIS decisions.



NDIS decisions can take a long time.



The NDIS needs to do more to keep people with disability safe.

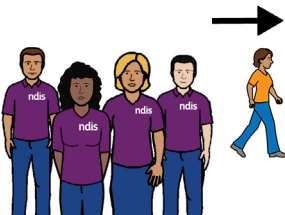


It can be hard to

- understand how the NDIS does things

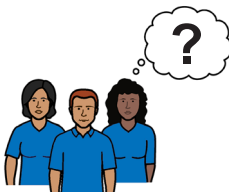


- get help to use the NDIS.

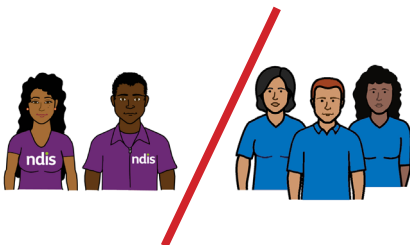


People might **not** get good services because

- many workers have left the NDIS



- providers do **not** understand the rules



- the NDIS and other services do **not** work well together.



We need to make sure people get the supports they need to live a good life.



## We want to work with everyone

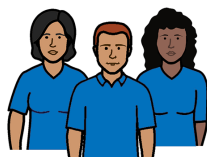


We want to hear from

- NDIS participants



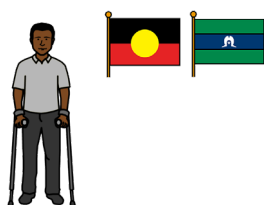
- families and carers



- providers and workers



- the whole disability community.

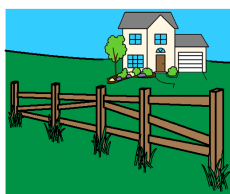


We will make sure we listen to

- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people



- people who do **not** speak English



- people who live away from big cities.

## What will happen in the review



We will ask you

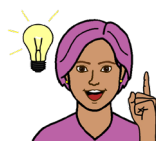
- what is good about the NDIS



- what is bad about the NDIS



- what problems we should fix first



- what ideas you have to fix the problems.



We want people with disability to help decide the best ways to fix problems with the NDIS.



We promise to

- listen to you



- tell you what we are doing.



We will

- respect your rights



- check we are doing what we said.



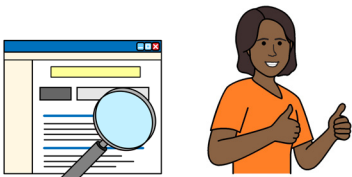
There will be lots of ways to tell us what you think.

For example

- answer some questions

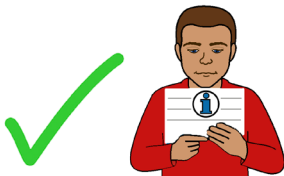


- sessions where we work together.



We will make sure information about the review is

- easy to find



- easy to understand



- given in different ways.



## You can tell us what you think now

You can tell us what you think about the review.



You can

- write your ideas down and send them to us



- make a video to send us



- answer some questions online



- call us.



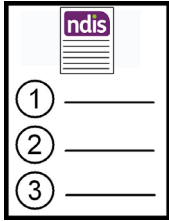
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## At the end of the review



The panel will write a report about

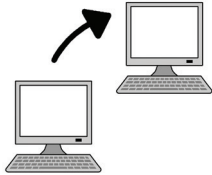
- the problems with the NDIS



- a plan for how to fix the problems.



The panel will finish the report by October 2023.



The panel will

- send the report to the Disability Ministers



- put the report on our website for everyone to read.



## More information

For more information contact NDIS Review.



Website [ndisreview.gov.au](http://ndisreview.gov.au)



## Tell us what you think

Call 02 6271 5318

Website [ndisreview.gov.au/have-your-say](http://ndisreview.gov.au/have-your-say)



Email [contactus@ndisreview.gov.au](mailto:contactus@ndisreview.gov.au)



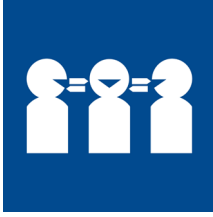
Send a letter

NDIS Review Secretariat

Department of the Prime Minister  
and Cabinet

PO Box 6500

Canberra ACT 2600



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