

# Improving outcomes for people with disability under the National Disability Strategy and the National Disability Insurance Scheme

## Public consultation

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#### Part A – About you

This section asks some questions about you. All questions are optional. You can skip a question by ticking the option 'prefer not to say'.

Your name

Email

#### Are you responding as an individual or as a representative of an organisation?

If you are responding as an organisation your responses may be published and attributed to your organisation in public reporting.

- I'm responding as an individual.
- I'm representing an organisation.

Which of the following statements best describes you?	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<i>Please select all that apply</i>
<input type="checkbox"/>	I am a person with disability
<input type="checkbox"/>	I am a parent / guardian or other family member of a person with disability
<input type="checkbox"/>	I am a carer of a person with disability
<input type="checkbox"/>	I am a support worker / work directly with people with disability
<input type="checkbox"/>	I am a disability advocate and/or work for a disability peak association
<input type="checkbox"/>	I work for a service provider
<input type="checkbox"/>	I employ people with disability
<input type="checkbox"/>	I am a business owner



**Which of the following statements best describes you?**

Please select all that apply

- I am a health professional
- I am a member of the public interested in the National Disability Strategy
- I am a member of the public interested in the National Disability Insurance Scheme
- I am a researcher or an academic
- I am employed by government (Australian, state, territory or local government)
- Other, please specify
- Prefer not to say

**In which state or territory do you currently live?**

Select one (1)

- Australian Capital Territory
- New South Wales
- Northern Territory
- Queensland
- South Australia
- Tasmania
- Victoria
- Western Australia
- I do not live in Australia
- Prefer not to say

**Which type of geographic location do you live in?**

Tick one (1)

- A capital city
- A regional city or town
- A remote town or area
- Prefer not to say

**Do you identify as Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander?**

*Tick one (1)*

Yes

No

I am responding on behalf of an organisation that supports Aboriginal and Torres Islander People

Prefer not to say

**Are you from a culturally or linguistically diverse background?**

*Tick one (1)*

Yes

No

I am responding on behalf of an organisation that supports people of a culturally or linguistically diverse background

Prefer not to say

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## Part B – Improving outcomes for people with disability

This section asks about what you think is most important to measure to show progress in achieving outcomes for people with disability under the new National Disability Strategy (the Strategy) and the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS).

All questions are optional.

### Outcome areas (also called Domains)

Based on feedback from stage one consultations on the new Strategy, it is proposed that the existing outcome areas are retained as part of the new Strategy and the Strategy and NDIS Outcomes Frameworks. These are:

1. Inclusive and accessible communities
2. Economic security
3. Rights protection, justice and legislation
4. Personal and community support
5. Learning and skills
6. Health and wellbeing.

Monitoring and reporting progress against the Strategy and the NDIS is vital to ensure that life is improving for Australians with disability. It is important that we develop comprehensive and appropriate performance indicators and measures that reflect areas that really matter in achieving outcomes under the six outcome areas for people with disability.

The following questions ask you to tell us what you think is most important to measure progress in improving life for people with disability under each of the outcome areas of the Strategy and NDIS Outcomes Frameworks.

### Question 1:

#### What matters most to measure and report on as we seek to achieve inclusive and accessible communities for people with disability?

The **inclusive and accessible communities** outcome aims for people with disability to live in accessible and well designed communities with opportunity for full inclusion in social, economic, sporting and cultural life.

**Inclusive and accessible communities** may include, ease of access to public buildings, moving freely about the local community using public or private transport and having access to communication and information networks.

Please provide your response to Question 1 in the space provided below (300 word limit).

**Question 2:**

**What is most important to measure and report on as we seek to achieve economic security for people with disability?**

The **economic security** outcome aims for people with disability to have economic security and suitable living arrangements, enabling them to plan for the future and exercise choice and control over their lives.

**Economic security** may include more people with disability have a job, have enough income for daily living expenses, are not living in poverty, and have somewhere suitable to live.

Please provide your response to Question 2 in the space provided below (300 word limit).

**Question 3:**

**What is most important to measure and report on as we seek to achieve health and wellbeing outcomes for people with disability?**

The **health and wellbeing** outcome aims for people with disability to attain highest possible health and wellbeing outcomes throughout their lives.

**Health and wellbeing** may include, interacting with health professionals who understand needs of people with disability, affordable health services and satisfactory mental health support.

Please provide your response to Question 3 in the space provided below (300 word limit).

**Question 4:**

**What is most important to measure and report on as we seek to achieve rights, protection, justice and legislation outcomes for people with disability?**

The **rights protection, justice and legislation** outcome aims for people with disability to feel safe and have their rights promoted, upheld and protected

**Rights protection, justice and legislation** may include feeling safe, the ability to participate in democratic processes and being free from disability related discrimination.

Please provide your response to Question 4 in the space provided below (300 word limit).

**Question 5:**

**What is most important to measure and report on as we seek to achieve learning and skills outcomes for people with disability?**

The **learning and skills** outcome aims for people with disability to achieve their full potential through their participation in an inclusive, high-quality education system that is responsive to their needs. It also aims for people with disability to have opportunities to continue learning throughout their lives in both formal and informal settings.

**Learning and skills** may include, teachers who understand needs of people with disability, continued access to formal and informal learning settings, and preparation for transitioning from one level of education to the next, or from education to employment.

Please provide your response to Question 5 in the space provided below (300 word limit).

### Question 6:

#### **What is most important to measure and report on as we seek to achieve personal and community support outcomes for people with disability?**

The **personal and community support** outcome aims for people with disability, their families and their carers to have access to a range of well-coordinated and effective services and supports that are appropriate to their needs.

**Personal and community support** may include, access to specialised disability services and supports, including NDIS for eligible participants, community-based services that are available when and where they are needed and services that are well coordinated.

Please provide your response to Question 6 in the space provided below (300 word limit).

### Question 7:

The National Disability Strategy and NDIS Outcomes Frameworks will track progress over time to determine whether the lives of people with disability are improving. Reporting against outcomes will help to inform where to prioritise and target investments.

#### **How often would you like to see progress against the outcomes for people with disability in the National Disability Strategy and the National Disability Insurance Scheme reported?**

Please provide your response to Question 7 in the space provided below (300 word limit).

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## Part C – Additional information

Consultation on the approach to measuring, monitoring and reporting of the effectiveness of the new National Disability Strategy and the National Disability Insurance Scheme will inform:

- the structure of the National Disability Strategy and the National Disability Insurance Scheme outcomes frameworks
- implementation of the National Disability Strategy and the National Disability Insurance Scheme outcomes frameworks

### Question 8:

**Is there anything else that you think should be considered when we are monitoring and measuring the impact of activities on people with disability?**

Please provide your response in space provided below (1000 word limit).

Thank you for taking our survey. We really appreciate you taking the time to tell us your thoughts and opinions. We will use this information, along with information from stakeholder workshops and roundtables, to inform the development of the NDS and NDIS Outcomes Frameworks.

If you have any questions or feedback about this survey, please contact the Department of Social Services via <mailto:disabilityreform@dss.gov.au>.