

Australian Government Department of Social Services

NDIS Reform Advisory Committee

Expression of Interest Form





The Australian Government Department of Social Services wrote this. We say **DSS** for short.

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Department of Social Services

When you see the word **we** it means DSS.



Not bold

Bold

We wrote this in an easy to read way. We use pictures to explain some ideas.

We have some words in **bold**.

This means the letters are thicker and darker.

These are important words.



This is an Easy Read summary of another document.

This means it has the most important ideas.



We can answer any questions by email. NDISRACenquiries@dss.gov.au



You can ask for help to read this document.

You can ask

- A friend
- Family members
- A support person.



We recognise Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people as the **Traditional Owners** of the land we live on.



They were the **first people** to live on and use the

- Land
- Waters.

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The NDIS Reform Advisory Committee



In May 2024 the Australian Government said they wanted to set up a **committee**.

The committee is called **NDIS Reform Advisory Committee**.

We call it the **NDIS RAC** for short.

A committee is a group of people who



- Share their expertise
- Go to meetings
- Help make decisions.

Expertise is knowing a lot about something.

The NDIS RAC is being started to

- Watch over
- Give feedback

On how NDIS reforms are done.

Reform means making changes to make something better.



The changes include what the Australian Government will do to improve the NDIS with ideas from

- NDIS Review
- Disability Royal Commission.

We call it DRC for short.





There are other Easy Reads about the NDIS RAC.

You can go to our website to read them.

Questions

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We are looking for people to join the NDIS RAC.

They might be

- People with disability
- People with experience with disability.



Anyone who wants to join the NDIS RAC needs to put in an **Expression of Interest**.

We call it an **EOI** for short.



An EOI is an **application form** that says you want to join something.



If you do want to join the NDIS RAC you can fill out this application form.



You can choose to be a

- Representative of your state or territory
- Community member.

Representatives are people who speak up for a group of people.



You can say you are interested in both.

You do **not** have to fill out an extra form.



You can join if you work in the disability sector.

You would **not** represent the organisation you work for.



You need to put your applications in before 11.59 at night on 24 March 2025.



You can put your application in online.

Go to the DSS Engage website.

engage.dss.gov.au/?page_id=30016

You can put in a written application.



You will need to

- Print off the EOI form
- Write your answers in the boxes with a blue or black pen.

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- Scan the EOI form
- Email it to us.

You need to email your EOI to NDISRACenquires@dss.gov.au



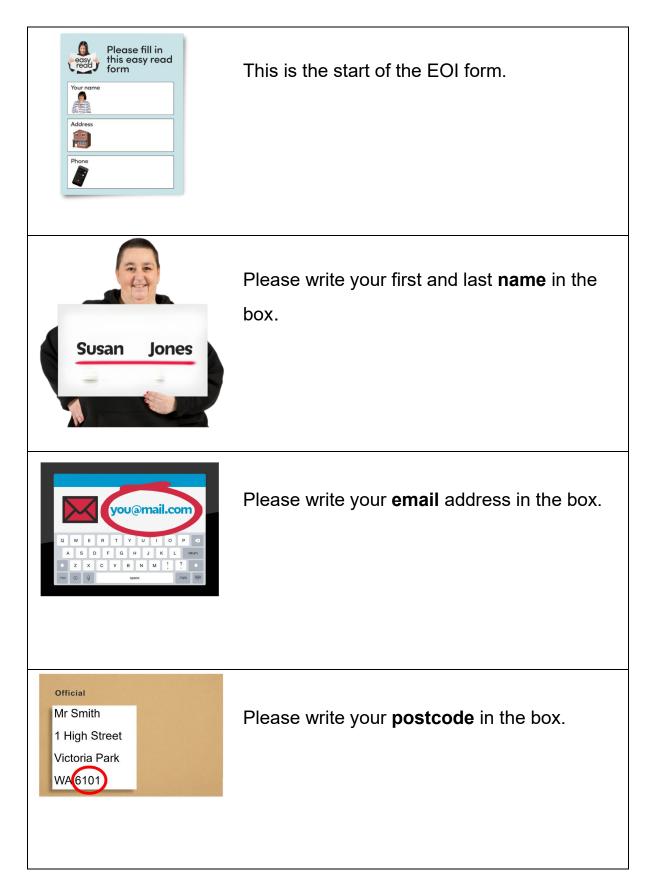


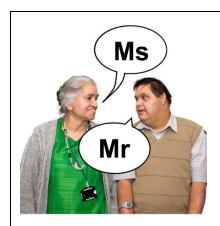
You can put in a video application.

You will need to email us at <u>NDISRACenquiries@dss.gov.au</u>

We will tell you how to upload your video.

EOI Application Form

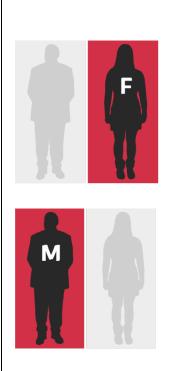




This is a list of what people like to be called.

Please write what **you** like to be called in the box.

- Mr
- Mrs
- Ms
- Mx
- Doctor
- Professor
- Associate Professor
- A different title
- None of these.



This is a list of how people **identify** or say what **gender** they are.

They might be

- Male
- Female
- A different gender
- No gender.

Please write how you **identify** in the box if you want to.

- Male
- Female
- Non-binary
- Something different
- I do **not** want to tell you.



We want people of different **ages** on the NDIS RAC.

Please write your age in the box if you **want** to.



This is a list of **groups** people are part of.

Please write **all** the groups you are part of in the box on the next page.

- First Nations
- LGBTQIA+SB
- I speak different languages
- I am in different cultures
- I am in a different group
- I am **not** in these groups.

You can also tell us more about the groups you are part of in the box.

You can write **150 words**. Do **not** write more.



This is a list of areas where people **live**.

Please write **your** area in the box.

- City
- Regional area
- Rural area
- Remote area.



Please write in the box what position on the NDIS RAC you want to be considered for.

- State or territory representative
- Community member
- Both.



Write in the box what state or territory you live in.



This is a list of groups who have **experience** with disability.

Please write **all** the groups you are part of in the box.

- I have a disability
- I care for a person with disability
- I know a lot about supporting people with disability with services
- I work to change how people with disability are treated
- I have experience with different disability topics
- I have experience with NDIS topics
- I am in a different group.



We want people with experience with different disabilities on the NDIS RAC.

Tell us what your main disability is.

Or

Tell us what disabilities you have experience with.

This might mean disabilities the person or people you

- Care for have
- Work with have.

Please write **all** the disabilities you have experience with in the box.

There is more space on the next page.



We want everyone to be able to take part in the NDIS RAC.

Tell us what you need to take part.

These might be things like

- Auslan interpreting
- Automatic captions
- Support worker or carer to come with you.

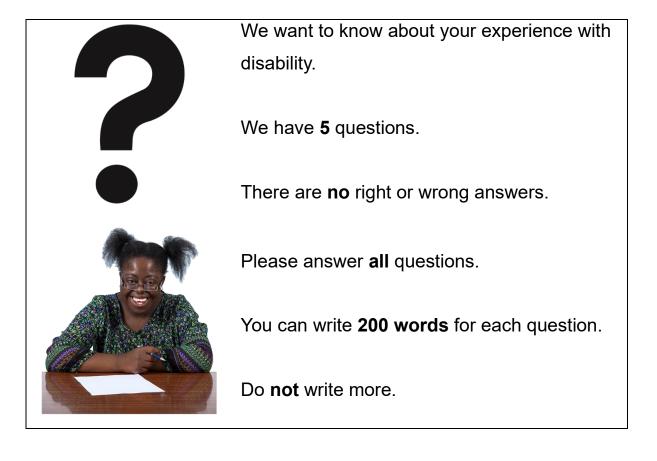
Auslan is Australian sign language.

Please write **all** accessibility requirements you have in the box.

There is more space on the next page.



Your Experience





1. Tell us what you understand about

- Issues for people with disability in Australia
- Issues for groups that support people with disability in Australia
- Government changes that affect the disability community like disability reforms.

Reform means making changes to make something better.

Please write in the box. There is more space on the next page.



2. How do you

- Learn what people with disability want
- Share ideas from people with disability?

Please write in the box.



3. Have you shared ideas or worked with the Australian Government?

Write about what you did in the box.



4. Different groups of people can have different issues.

Tell us about what you know and your experience with people with disability who

- Are First Nations
- Speak different languages
- Have different cultures
- Are women and girls
- Are part of the LGBTIQA+SA community
- Live in regional areas
- Live in rural areas
- Have complex needs?

Please write in the box.

There is more space on the next page.





5. The Australian Government has programs to make life better for Australians.

Governments can

- Listen to the community
- Write new programs
- Change how programs work.

Tell us about what you know or your experience creating or changing programs to make life better for Australians.

Please write in the box. There is more space on the next page.

More Information



You can write more information.

Do not write more than 100 words.

You can write about

- What area of disability you are interested in
- What you have done with people with disability
- Other information you want to tell us.

Please write in the box.



Your application might also be used to choose people for

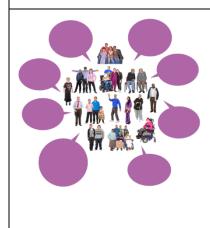
• Working groups

Working groups are a group of people working together on a topic.



Roundtables

Roundtables are meetings that people come to talk about a topic.



• Focus groups.

Focus groups are when people give their ideas about a topic.



Would you like to join a

- Working group
- Roundtable
- Focus group.

You do **not** have to say yes. Please write **yes** or **no** in the box.



Thank you for doing this application form.

If you wrote on a paper form

- Scan your form
- Send your form by email.

NDISRACenquiries@dss.gov.au



You need to send your email before 24 March 2025 at 11.59 at night.



You will get an email to tell you we have got your form.

If you do **not** get this email please contact us.

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