

Senator Wendy Askew Chair Senate Community Affairs Legislation Committee Parliament House CANBERRA ACT 2600

## **Dear Senator Askew**

I am writing to correct evidence I provided to the Committee during its examination of the NDIS Quality and Safeguards Commission (NDIS Commission) on Thursday, 24 October 2019.

In response to a question from Senator Steele-John in relation to Reportable Incidents, I stated that: 'where plans are not in place, or in some jurisdictions where there are not authorisation processes for every class, the obligation is on the provider to report. We expect in the transition to see higher numbers of reportable incidents in that category while providers are putting plans in place [...]' (page 55 of Hansard refers).

I wish to clarify that where a plan is in place, and the relevant state or territory has no authorisation process in relation to the use of the restrictive practice, there is no requirement on the provider to report the use as a Reportable Incident.

Yours sincerely

**Graeme Head AO** 

Commissioner

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