Senate Community Affairs Legislation Committee

Public Hearing – 25 July 2024

NDIS Amendment (Getting the NDIS Back on Track No.1) Bill 2024

ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

National Disability Insurance Agency

Topic: Transitional Rules Consultation

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Question asked by: Jordon Steele-John **Type of Question:** Spoken. Hansard Page: 50

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Ouestion:

Senator STEELE-JOHN: How many consultation sessions have taken place in relation to those rules? [transitional rules coming into effect for any NDIS support within 28 days of royal assent]

Ms Shannon: I might need to take that on notice. In terms of, for want of a better word, division of responsibilities, DSS is doing quite a bit of work with the states and territories, particularly where the rules require their agreement; there's a power of work to be done there. The NDIA is using its well-established codesign and participant groups to start the conversation with participants. I understand the intention is that we're seeking feedback through those mechanisms, and then, on the section 10 rules, there is an intention for a public consultation process.

Answer:

As at 31 July 2024 the National Disability Insurance Agency (NDIA) in partnership with the Department of Social Services (DSS) has undertaken 22 formal consultation sessions to inform two of the proposed changes to rules that are part of (Getting the NDIS Back on Track No.1) Bill 2024.

This includes 18 formal consultations with the disability community and 4 legislation specific consultations with state and territory governments (noting legislative and other reforms are discussed at regular intergovernmental forums). DSS and the NDIA are continuing to consult regularly with states and territories on legislative matters.