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To: <u>Community Affairs, Committee (SEN)</u>;

Subject: Submission to the Inquiry into the National Disability Insurance Scheme Bill 2012

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Please consider this email a formal submission by me to the Senate Standing Committee on Community Affairs Inquiry into the National Disability Insurance Scheme Bill 2012.

The current disability system has many problems that need to be addressed.

It was guite difficult to actually get a diagnosis

It was difficult to access services

It took quite a bit of investigating to find out where to go who to see

Lack of follow-up

Lack of resources

Lack of education in long day care centres, pre-schools and schools

Quite a financial strain on the family

The main features of the NDIS that will make a difference to the community are:

Ensure support and equipment is available when needed, More employment of people with disability and less reliance on social welfare, Older parents and families will not worry what happens when they can no longer provide support

The most important services for the NDIS to provide are:

Therapy and allied health services, Support for families and carers, In-home care and domestic assistance

I support the introduction of the NDIS.

Because it is important that those who have a disability and their families are provided support to live lives that are fulfilling. Often families and the disabled can feel isolated and they must battle to seek support. The NDIS will enable a fair and equitable approach to all. It will enable those in need to access support and services and be aware of what is available.

I agree for my submission to be made public

Regards,

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