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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.

We do not have a disabled person in our family - however my best friend has a severely disabled child and trying to get adequate, coordinated support for their family is a jumbled, inadequate mess.

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

The ability to receive services when needed and in the way that suits the person,  
Less red tape, with planning done locally by people who know their community,  
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:

Support for families and carers, Flexible in-home/outside home respite, Case management, planning and coordination

I support the introduction of the NDIS.

Every civilised, wealthy society should care for the most vulnerable. We need to support the disabled and their families/carers.

I agree for my submission to be made public

Regards,

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