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To: [Community Affairs Committee \(SEN\)](#);
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.

The current system is failing because its difficult t have services catered for all needs e.g. very high support needs and minimal support needs. Some children have minimal impact disabiity but its enough that they struggle with mainstream activities, they want to refer to disability activities but fall through the gap because they are not "disabled" enough. At the other end of the spectrum theres many famillies struggling because their children have behavioural suport needs and nobody wants to take them on board, without community access often the childs problems increase and thus famiies end up even more despret.

In short the current community programs are not individualised and many people are suffering greatly as a result.

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

Better access to mainstream support and services, People with a disability can plan their lives and pursue their goals and dreams, Less red tape, with planning done locally by people who know their community

The most important services for the NDIS to provide are:

Flexible in-home/outside home respite, Case management, planning and coordination, Interpreters and other communication support

I support the introduction of the NDIS.

Because its national which is a neccesity. Because we need a drastic change now. Because we need more accountability of services. Because we can make a positive difference to many peoples lives.

I agree for my submission to be made public

Regards,

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