



JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON THE NATIONAL DISABILITY INSURANCE SCHEME

TABLING OF NDIS WORKFORCE FINAL REPORT

15 February 2022

The Joint Standing Committee on the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) today tabled its final report for the inquiry into NDIS workforce.

This report examines new evidence provided to the committee since the tabling of the interim report in December 2020, particularly in relation to the Australian Government's *NDIS National Workforce Plan: 2021-2025* released in June 2021, and other measures identified by the Australian Government in response to the committee's interim report.

Evidence to the inquiry demonstrated that ambitious action is needed to adequately address issues within the NDIS workforce and to safeguard the availability of safe and quality supports for NDIS participants into the future.

"The unanimous, final report makes 8 recommendations relating to the need for: increased workforce data collection; enhanced employment opportunities for people with disability and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people; increased student placement opportunities and appropriately resourced training and upskilling initiatives," Committee Chair, The Hon Kevin Andrews said.

"Further, other recommendations call for the development of clear and measurable outcomes for each of the initiatives under the government's *NDIS National Workforce Plan: 2021-2025*, and a comprehensive consultation strategy for its implementation," Mr Andrews said.

The committee will continue to monitor the implementation of the *NDIS National Workforce Plan: 2021-2025* and other matters related to the NDIS workforce and may take up particular issues in future inquiries.

The committee thanks all those who contributed to the inquiry by lodging submissions, providing additional information, or expressing their views via correspondence. The committee would also like to thank those who gave their time to attend the committee's public hearings.

In particular, the committee acknowledges the people with disability, their families and carers who shared their experiences. The testimony of people with lived experience is crucial to identifying issues with the NDIS and improving the operation of the scheme.

The final report is available on the committee's [website](#).

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