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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.

I have a child who is delayed in his speech and I don't get speech therapy for him and my oldest son has speech problems as well and I am spending \$90 a week for him and I can't afford it!

I also need more therapy for both children and I can't either get it because of their age or there is a waiting list upto 2 years.

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

Ensure support and equipment is available when needed, People with a disability can choose the types of support to use, Better access to mainstream support and services, Better access to education and work opportunities, More opportunities to participate in the community, More employment of people with disability and less reliance on social welfare, More rights for people with a disability, People with a disability can plan their lives and pursue their goals and dreams, People with disability can choose who comes into their home, The ability to receive services when needed and in the way that suits the person, Increased ability to coordinate services to suit the "whole" person/family, Minimising the number of times people have to tell their story in order to get support, Less red tape, with planning done locally by people who know their community, Access to reliable information about support options, Removal of age barriers to services for children, People with disability/family will influence the types of support and services offered, 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, Life-skills, Support for families and carers

I support the introduction of the NDIS.

I have 2 children with special needs and I need to get all the support I can.

My youngest child has Autism and I would love to get some speech therapy and some nutrition for him but I don't get any government support for this so it's really hard.

My oldest son has some learning difficulties and has been a support class at school his whole life. He gets speech therapy and it's private and it cost us \$90 a fortnight and I can't afford it but he needs it for his studdering and everything else.

I agree for my submission to be made public

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