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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 disability System lets me down from the aspect that at the time of my life when every possible resource needed by me, was hard to obtain. Also very expensive. There are so many things that as a disabled person, are out of your reach mainly due to finances. Hospital waiting times to see a psychiatrist or psychologist, physiotherapist or occupational therapist are just beyond the joke. Therefore unless you have disposable cash (impossible on a Disability pension) you have to battle through alone. How would you feel? Broken Body, Broken Mind all in the space of 24 hours? Then left to bumble through it alone.

I am never ever going to be independent again and rely totally on the carers I have 3 times a day to enable me to live in a "normal" fashion. This should not be left to chance because of funding, it is a basic human right!

I support the NDIS and suggest that the whole nation gets behind this urgently needed cause.

Thank You Lisa Monaghan

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, 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, 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, Equipment and home/vehicle modifications, Support for families and carers, Positive behaviour support and psychological services

I support the introduction of the NDIS.

I support The NDIS as I am going to need care and support for the rest of my life. It is a basic Human Right

I agree for my submission to be made public

Regards,

Ms Lisa Monaghan