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Topic: NDIA and NSW State Minister

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Senator Siewert asked:

- 1) Since November 2013, has the NDIA met with NSW Minister Ajaka?
- 2) If not, given that the NDIA has not met with the NSW Minister for Disability - Minister Ajaka, how is the NDIA monitoring the implementation implications of the 2013 NSW Enabling Bill and the transfer of all disability service assets (both property and personnel) to the private/non-government sector?

Answer:

- 1) Yes, the National Disability Insurance Agency (NDIA) Chairman, Mr Bruce Bonyhady AM, and the Chief Executive Officer, Mr David Bowen, met with Minister Ajaka on Friday, 28 February 2014 in Melbourne.
- 2) In addition, the NDIA and the Department of Social Services meet frequently with New South Wales (NSW) Government officials regarding the progress of implementation in the Hunter trial site and to plan for the trial site expansion in NSW. The NDIA is working with the NSW Government to ensure that National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) participants are able to access the supports that they need during transition to the NDIS.