

**Senate Community Affairs Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
**SOCIAL SERVICES PORTFOLIO**  
**2013-14 Additional Estimates Hearings**

**Outcome Number:** 5

**Question No:** 453

**Topic:** NDIS – Disability Service Standards

**Hansard Page:** Written

**Senator Siewert** asked:

What role will the NDIA have in ensuring that existing government disability service standards are maintained in the transfer to the private/non-government sector?

**Answer:**

The Intergovernmental Agreement on the National Disability Insurance Scheme Launch (IGA), and each of the bilateral agreements between the Australian Government and host jurisdictions appended to the IGA, provide that existing state or territory based quality assurance and safeguards frameworks will continue to apply in each jurisdiction during the trial phase of the National Disability Insurance Scheme.