

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

**Outcome Number: 5**

**Question No: 494**

**Topic: NDIA - Reviews**

**Hansard Page: Written**

**Senator Moore asked:**

How many reviews have been commissioned, either by the Government, DSS or the NDIA, into the NDIS and/or NDIA? Please provide details on the scope and reporting timeframes for all reviews that have been commissioned.

**Answer:**

Five reviews have been commissioned into the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) or the National Disability Insurance Agency (NDIA):

<b>Review</b>	<b>Scope</b>	<b>Timeframe</b>	<b>Consultant</b>
NDIS Trial Evaluation	The NDIS trial evaluation is primarily an outcome evaluation, intended to examine the impacts of the NDIS on people with disability, and their families and carers; on the disability sector and its workforce; and on selected mainstream providers and services.	To be delivered June 2016	National Institute of Labour Studies at Flinders University
Review into the Capabilities of the NDIA	A forward-looking review that assesses an agency's ability to meet future objectives and challenges. Such reviews consider how an organisation aligns processes, systems and the expertise of its people to deliver on objectives.  Reviews of capabilities focus on strengths and development areas in the context of the anticipated future operating environment.	Delivered January 2014	Jeff Whalan T/A Jeff Whalan Learning Group

Review of Current Business Activities	A review of the core and non-core business and activities of the NDIA to determine the most efficient way of delivering the functions of the Agency, including considering outsourcing of non-core activities and opportunities that might exist for the NDIA to provide services to others.	Delivered April 2014	Boston Consulting Group
Review into Transition to Full Scheme Risks	A review to identify the context and risks for the national rollout of the NDIS, with a particular focus on potential mitigations and required deliverables from the NDIA, the optimal timetable to roll out the full Scheme and key milestones to meet that timetable.	To be delivered May 2014	KPMG
Independent Review of NDIA Strategy and Plans for Transition to the NDIS Full Scheme	KPMG were engaged by the Department of Social Services to assess and report on the adequacy of planning and strategies of the NDIA Board and the readiness of the NDIS trial sites to commence from 1 July 2014.	To be delivered April 2014	KPMG