Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Social Services Portfolio

2014-15 Budget Estimates Hearings

Outcome Number: 5

Question No: 43

Topic: National Disability Insurance Scheme

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Senator Brown asked:

With regards to preparations for the full rollout of the NDIS, please advise:

a. Have negotiations between the Commonwealth and states and territories started for the phasing of the scheme beyond the launch sites?

b. What is the process in place for these negotiations?

c. What progress has been made? If none, when will they start?

d. Which organisations and/or individuals are involved or are being consulted in these negotiations?

e. Is the timeline for the full rollout of the NDIS committed to by the previous Government on track?

Answer:

- a. No.
- b. The negotiations will be conducted bilaterally.
- c. There is no set date to start these negotiations.
- d. Government to Government negotiations will take place and the National Disability Insurance Agency will be consulted.
- e. Yes.