

**Senate Community Affairs Committee**  
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**SOCIAL SERVICES PORTFOLIO**  
**2017-18 Budget Estimates Hearings**

**Outcome Number: 3.2 National Disability Insurance Scheme Question No: SQ17-000441**

**Topic: Workforce**

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**Senator Richard Di Natale** asked:

On the 9 November 2016 the Australian National Audit Office released a report titled “National Disability Insurance Scheme – Management of the Transition of the Disability Services Market”. In the report it was stated that there was no consultation with external stakeholders. Will the Government release the evaluation reports on how effective and what the learnings were from the trial sites in particular the Barkly region?

**Answer:**

The Government has released a number of National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) reports on the effectiveness and learnings from the NDIS trial sites which were drawn on in the development of the strategy including:

- NDIS Evaluation – Intermediate report - [www.dss.gov.au/disability-and-carers/programs-services/for-people-with-disability/national-disability-insurance-scheme/ndis-evaluation-intermediate-report](http://www.dss.gov.au/disability-and-carers/programs-services/for-people-with-disability/national-disability-insurance-scheme/ndis-evaluation-intermediate-report)
- NDIS Barkly Progress Report - [ndis.gov.au/document/barkly-progress-report-year1](http://ndis.gov.au/document/barkly-progress-report-year1)
- A Market Position statement for the Northern Territory which includes information about the experience from the Barkly trial - [www.ndis.gov.au/medias/documents/h6a/hdf/8799676235806/NT-Market-Position-Statement-PDF-1.8MB-.pdf](http://www.ndis.gov.au/medias/documents/h6a/hdf/8799676235806/NT-Market-Position-Statement-PDF-1.8MB-.pdf)

The NDIS Evaluation Consolidated Report is due for completion in the latter half of 2017, and will draw upon the full collection of quantitative survey data (including from the Barkly trial).