

Senate Community Affairs Committee
ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
SOCIAL SERVICES PORTFOLIO
2017-2018 Budget Estimates Hearings

Outcome: National Disability Insurance Agency

Question No: NDIA SQ17-000114

Topic: YPIRAC

Hansard Page: Spoken

Senator Reynolds asked:

You indicated that as at 31 December 2016 five out of 471 young people in residential aged care were found ineligible for the NDIS. I was just wondering if you can explain what those reasons were for being in residential aged care but not being eligible for the NDIS?

Answer:

There are a number of reasons why it may be determined that a younger person in residential aged care does not meet the disability requirements for access under the *National Disability Insurance Scheme Act 2013*. These include, but are not limited to a determination that:

- the applicant's needs are clinical in nature and best met by the health care system;
- the permanency of the applicant's impairment cannot be established and that it is not likely that the applicant will require support under the National Disability Insurance Scheme for his or her lifetime; or
- the applicant's impairment does not result in a substantial reduction in functional capacity.

During the trial and transition period, it is also possible that a younger person in residential aged care may not meet the age or location requirements set out in the phasing arrangements for their state or territory.