

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 SQ17-000126

Topic: SDA In-kind

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Senator Siewert, asked:

Can the NDIA provide some commitment or guarantee about the turnaround time to advise a participant about whether an in-kind vacancy is available or whether they can explore non-in-kind options?

Answer:

The decision to include appropriate Specialist Disability Accommodation (SDA) in a plan (including its type and location) is part of the plan decision not separate to it. Once the plan decision is made, the National Disability Insurance Agency will liaise with the state/territory government SDA contact to identify any suitable in-kind SDA vacancies. If an appropriate in-kind option cannot be identified within 10 business days, the participant will be entitled to source other SDA options.