

**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 SQ17-000146

**Topic:** Autism

**Hansard Page:** Written

**Senator Brown,** asked:

Has the NDIA considered the value of continuing the Autism Advisers program to support families following a diagnosis?

**Answer:**

The Commonwealth Government determined that all funding elements of the Helping Children with Autism were to transition to the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) model to directly fund individualised packages of support for families.