



MEDIA RELEASE

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Announcement of new measures to support NDIS participants and providers through COVID-19

The Disability Council NSW strongly supports the announcement by the Hon. Stuart Robert MP, Minister for the NDIS, of new measures to ensure that essential supports are set in place for NDIS participants, workers and providers through the duration of the COVID-19 outbreak. This announcement was made following discussions of the COAG Disability Reform Council, which included the NSW Minister for Disability Services, the Hon. Gareth Ward MP.

These new measures, which include the provision for the extension of NDIS plans, a shift to telephone meetings and financial assistance to providers, will ensure that NDIS participants can have confidence that they will continue to get the support they need throughout the COVID-19 outbreak.

NDIS participants should contact the NDIA on 1800 800 110 if they need to talk to a planner, make changes to their plan or are having trouble sourcing services due to COVID-19.

The Disability Council commends the Australian Government, the NSW Government and the governments of all States and Territories for coming together to proactively ensure that people with disability across Australia are supported through this difficult period.

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