

Disability Reform Roadmap

2024 to 2025





The Australian Government wrote this with state and territory governments.

When you see the word **we** it means

- The Australian Government
- State and territory governments.



We wrote this in an easy to read way. We use pictures to explain some ideas.

Bold

Not bold

We have some words in **bold**.

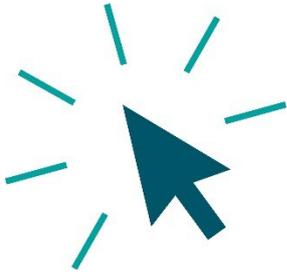
This means the letters are thicker and darker.

These are important words.



This is an Easy Read summary of another document.

This means it has the most important ideas.



You can look at the other document on our website.

www.dss.gov.au/disability-and-carers/disability-reform-roadmap



You can ask for help to read this document.

You can ask

- A friend
- Family members
- A support person.



We recognise Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people as the **Traditional Owners** of the land we live on.



They were the **first people** to live on and use the

- Land
- Waters.

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About our roadmap



We wrote this document with

- The Australian Government
- State and territory governments.



The **Disability Reform Roadmap** says what we are doing to make Australia

- **Safer** for people with disability



- **Inclusive**

Inclusive is when everyone

- Can **take part**
- Feel like they **belong**.



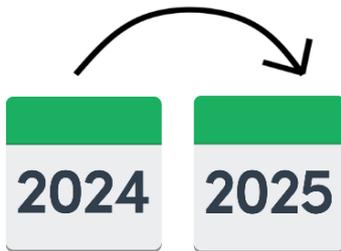
- **Accessible.**

Accessible means everyone can use it.



We call it the **roadmap** for short.

Our goals



The roadmap talks about our goals for

- 2024
- 2025.

Goals are ideas to make things better.



To make the roadmap we listened to ideas from lots of people.



The roadmap has 4 goals.



1. Create an **inclusive** and **accessible** community.

This means everyone can **be part** of the community.



Inclusive and accessible communities could be

- A business
- Workplace
- Shops.

2. Support the **rights** of people with disability.



Rights are **rules** about treating everyone

- Fair
- Equal.



This can be the right for people to

- Make their own decisions.
- Take part in making decisions about their life.



We know people have different ideas.

We want to respect different ideas.



3. Provide **good supports** and **services**.

We want people with disability to **have supports** and **services** that



- Are **safe**
- **Work well.**

We want to help create services that anyone with disability can find and use.



This includes

- NDIS services
- Other services.



4. Build **trust** with the disability community.



We want people with disability to trust that they can use the supports they need

- Now
- In the future.



We want these services to work well for people with disability.

How we will work with the disability community



We will work with the disability community.

People in the disability community could be



- People with disability



- Families and carers



- Disability organisations



- People who speak up for people with disability.



We want to ask the disability community to

- Share their ideas
- Take part in activities.



This might be

- **Sharing ideas** about new NDIS rules



- Being part of **workshops**

Workshops are a meeting with a group of people to talk about an idea.



- **Community events**

Community events are activities to bring people together in a community.

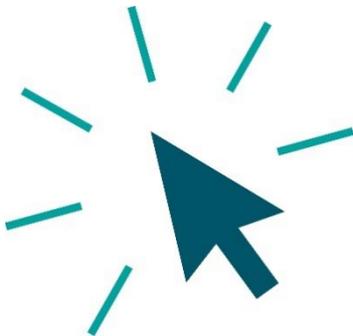


- **Surveys online**

Surveys are questions that you can tell us your ideas.



We will put all the information in our **newsletter**.



If you would like to get our newsletter you can go to our **website**.

www.dss.gov.au/subscription-ndis-reforms



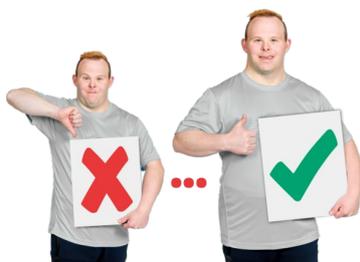
We will work with the National Disability Insurance Agency to help **disability services** improve.

Disability Royal Commission



The Disability Royal Commission looked at how people with disability are treated.

We call it DRC for short.



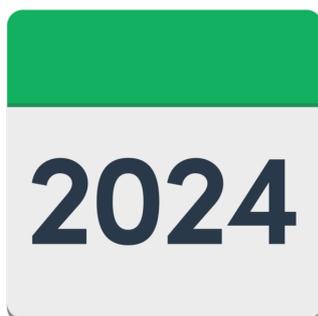
It helped the Australian Government find out what

- Went wrong
- We need to do better.



The DRC had ideas to make things better for people with disability.

These ideas are called recommendations.



We shared what we think about the DRC recommendations in July 2024.



We said what we want to do about the recommendations.



We will work with the disability community to do this work.



We will let you know how we are going in

- June 2025
- December 2025.

NDIS Review



All governments did a **review** of the National Disability Insurance Scheme.

We call it the NDIS Review.



The NDIS Review **looked at** what

- Works well
- Needs to **change**.

The NDIS Review made recommendations to all governments.



Disability **Ministers** are looking at the recommendations from the NDIS Review.

Ministers are leaders in an area of the government.



We will share what we think about the recommendations in December 2024.



We will start making plans to make changes from the recommendations in 2025.



We will work with the disability community to do this.

NDIS rules and laws



The **NDIS Act** is the **law** that says how the NDIS should work.

Laws are **rules** for how

- We live
- Things should work.



We have changed this law to make the NDIS work better.



The new law started on 3 October 2024.

Some changes will **not** happen right away.



The new law will help make the NDIS work better.

Temporary Section 10



1 of the new laws is called **temporary** Section 10.

It started on 3 October 2024.

Temporary means it only lasts for a certain time.



It might also be called Section 10 **transitional** rule.

Transitional **also** means temporary.



This means all governments are working together on a **permanent** law in the future.

Permanent means it will last for a long time.



We will work with the disability community on this permanent law.



Temporary Section 10 has a new list of NDIS Supports.



NDIS supports says what you

- **Can**



- **Can not**

Spend your NDIS money on.

You can only use your NDIS money to buy NDIS supports.

Section 33



The second part of the new law started on 9 October 2024.

We call it Section 33.



This law has new rules for NDIS **budgets**.

Budgets means how much money you get.



When you do your new NDIS plan it will say

- How much money you will have in total
- How long you have to spend it.

NDIS Bill 2



We want to keep making the NDIS better.

We will work on more new laws with the disability community.

The next 1 will be called NDIS Bill 2.



We will work with the disability community to do this work in

- 2024
- 2025.

Foundational Supports Strategy



We will work together to create a plan called **Foundational Supports Strategy**.

We call it the Strategy.



Foundational supports are supports that are for all people with disability.

They could be things like

- **Capacity building**
- Learning decision making skills
- **Peer support.**



Capacity building is learning new skills to help you do more for yourself.



Peer support is when people with disability get together to give each other support and advice.



Some supports are for

- People who use the NDIS
- Others who do **not** get the NDIS.



People with disability may be able to use these supports from 2025.



We will work with the disability community to do this work.

Australia's Disability Strategy



Creating an inclusive community together

The government set up Australia's Disability Strategy.

We call it ADS for short.

ADS is the governments way of working together to support people with disability to live good lives.



They do this by working with

- People with disability
- The community.

This makes the community a more welcoming place for everyone.

We did a review of ADS to find out what



- Works well
- Needs to change.



All governments are checking their disability inclusion plans between 2024 and 2025.



They will make sure the plans have the ADS goals.



We will check more of the ADS in 2025.



We will work with the disability community to do this work.



In 2026 we will share reports about what we have

- Done
- Found
- Will do next.

Contact us



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