



Integrity and Safeguarding Bill

2025 Overview

Part 4





Australian Government

Department of Health,
Disability and Ageing

The Australian Government Department of Health Disability and Ageing wrote this.

We say **DHDA** for short.

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



We wrote this in an easy to read way.

We use pictures to explain some ideas.

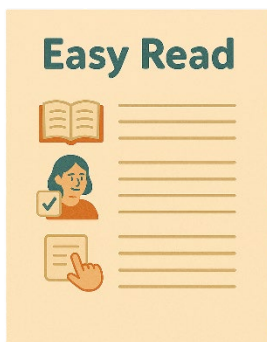
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We have some words in **bold**.

Not 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 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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Changes to NDIS laws



The government wants to make changes to the NDIS **laws**.

Laws are **rules** for how we live.

The changes are called the **Integrity and Safeguarding Bill**.

We call it the Bill for short.



Changes to laws are called **amendments**.

They help laws

- Change
- Be better.



The Bill will help make changes to

1. NDIS Quality and Safeguards Commission

We call it **NDIS Commission** for short.



The NDIS Commission

- Makes sure NDIS **providers** are doing a good job
- Listens to **complaints** about NDIS services.

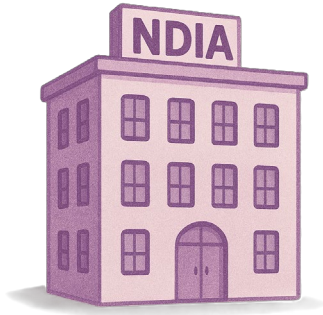


Providers get money from your NDIS plan to help support you.



Complaints are when you tell someone they have **not** done a good job.

Everyone has the right to make a complaint.



2. National Disability Insurance Agency

We call it **NDIA** for short.

They look after the NDIS.



The Bill will help

- Support people with disability who get NDIS to be safe

They can be called NDIS participants.



- Help anyone who works for
 - NDIS Commission
 - NDIA

To do a good job.

About this document



This document is in **4 parts**.



Part 1 is about

- What will happen if someone breaks the NDIS laws



- Special powers the government has to make sure the law is followed

This is called **regulatory powers**.



Part 2 is about

- **Anti-promotion orders**

This says the things you can **not** share about your services.

It helps people follow NDIS rules.



- **Banning orders**

Banning orders stop people from doing

- Services
- Delivering supports.

In the **NDIS market**.

They help keep people with disability safe.



Delivering supports means giving help to people who need it.

It could be things like

- Personal care
- Help at home
- Help in the community.



The NDIS market is all the people who do

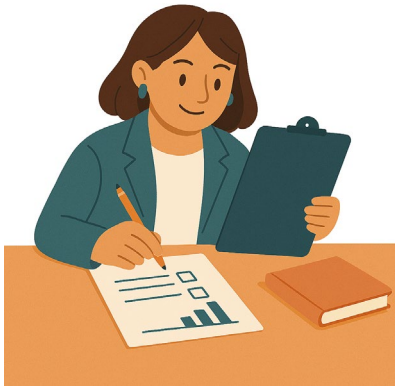
- Supports
- Services

Under the NDIS.

They can be

- **Individuals**
- Businesses
- NDIS providers
- Organisations.

Individual means 1 person.



- How the NDIS Commission gets information

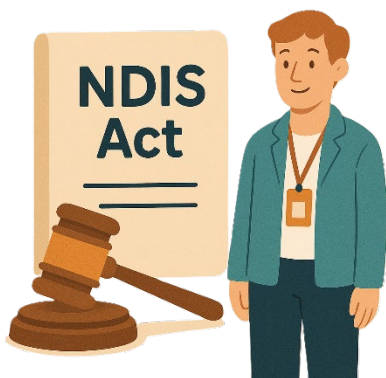


- How information is used in **courts**

A court is where you go when there is a problem with the law.

In a court

- A judge listens to what happened
- People say what happened
- A judge decides what is fair and should happen.



Part 3 is about

- Changes to what happens if you do **not** follow the law



Part 4 is about

- People with disability wanting to stop getting NDIS



- **NDIS provider forms**

These are forms that NDIS providers put in to get paid for the service or supports that they have done.



- **Plan variations**

Plan variations are when the NDIA changes things in a NDIS plan.

Like adding more money or supports to your plan.



You can read the other parts on our website.

www.health.gov.au/topics/disability-and-carers/reforms-and-reviews/ndis-act-changes

It is in Easy Read.

People who want to stop getting NDIS



Some people want to stop getting NDIS.

The changes will add a **cooling off period**.

The cooling off period is 90 days.

A cooling off period is the time you can change your mind.

It gives you extra time to think about your decision before you stop getting NDIS.

It has nothing to do with being cold or cool.



You can change your mind anytime in the cooling off period.

Nothing bad will happen if you

- Change your mind
- Want to go back to the NDIS in this time.



This change will make sure the NDIS knows

- That these people want to stop getting NDIS



- It is the best thing for the person with disability



- The person with disability is **not harmed.**

Harm means that something bad might happen to you.



There are new ways you can tell the NDIA you do **not** want to get NDIS anymore.



You can

- Say it

You could do this

- On the phone
- In person



- Write it

You could do this

- In a letter
- In an email
- On a website.



At the moment you can only tell the NDIA if you write it.

You stop getting NDIS right away.

NDIS provider forms



The changes means that NDIA can

Tell NDIS providers how they have to put in a **claim**.



Claims are when NDIS providers ask for money for doing a service or support.



This will make it easier for the NDIA to

- Follow the rules for claims



- Make sure claims are done well.

Plan variations



The changes say that NDIS plan variations can have

- More **funding**
- Less funding

Funding is **money from the government** in your NDIS plan.



The changes are **not** about when a plan variation can happen.



It just says how the funding can change.

More information



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