

**NDIS Service Charter** 



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This factsheet has some hard words. The first time we write a hard word it is in **blue**.

We write what the hard word means.



### **NDIS Service Charter**



This factsheet is about the **National Disability Insurance Scheme** and **Service Charter**.



The National Disability Insurance Scheme is called the **NDIS**.

The Service Charter tells you about

- your rights
- what the NDIS is
- how the NDIS will help you
- how to give feedback about the NDIS
- what to do if you are not happy with the NDIS.



# Your rights



In this factsheet we will talk about your **rights**. Rights are the things that everyone should be able to

- get
- have
- do.



We will also tell you about how you can make a **complaint** about the NDIS.

A complaint is when you tell us you are **not** happy with the NDIS.



### What is the NDIS?



The NDIS is a new way to help people with disability get

- care
- supports.



The NDIS will help you get the care and supports that you need.



With the NDIS you have a right to make choices and feel in control of your life.



There are different ways you can make choices and feel in control of your life.



You might want to

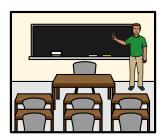
get a job



meet new friends



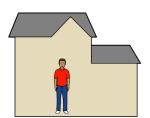
play sport



go to school



• live at home with your family



or

move out of home.





We want you to tell us how you want to live your life.

We want you to choose what help you need.



### You might need

• a carer to help you with meals





• a house with wheelchair access





• a person to show you how to pay rent.



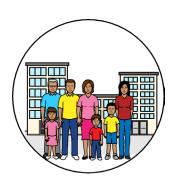


We will help you

find the right carers



• get information



 join groups in your community. Your community is the people and places around you.

You have a right to feel part of your community.

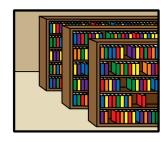


We will work with you to feel part of your community.



You might want to

play sport



• go to the library



• go to a cafe.

We will help you do activities you like.





You have a right to choose the people to help you. This can be

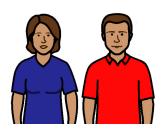
a friend



a family member

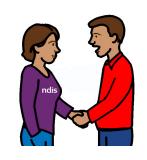


a carer



 an advocate. An advocate is someone who can help you make decisions about what you want.





### Work together with the NDIS

We need to work together to help you get what you want.

We will use different ways to talk with you.



We will meet with you.



We can call you on the phone.



We will send you

letters



emails.



You have a right to understand what we tell you.

You need to tell us if you do **not** understand.

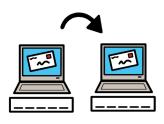


# How you can help us



You need to tell us if you

move house



• change your email address



• change your phone number



• can **not** come to a meeting with us.





# How to give feedback about the NDIS

Feedback is when you tell us what you think about the NDIS.



You can say you are happy with the NDIS.

This is called good feedback. For example



• staff are friendly

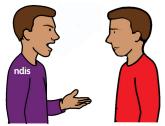
• you get good help.



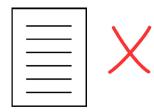


You can say you are **not** happy with the NDIS.

This is a complaint. For example



staff are rude to you



• staff give you wrong information

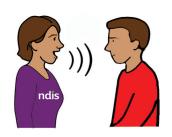
 you do **not** get the service you need from the NDIS.



We will listen to your complaint.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7

We will contact you within 3 days of your complaint.



We may ask you more questions about your complaint.



We want to fix your complaint.



We want to make the NDIS better for you.



We will keep what you tell us **private**. This means we will **not** tell other people without asking you.



# How to give us feedback



You can give good or bad feeback to us by

**Phone** 

1800 800 110



#### **Email**

feedback@ndis.gov.au





Go to your local NDIS office



Call 1800 800 110 to find your local NDIS office.



You can also write a letter to give **bad** feedback.



Customer Complaints
NDIA GPO Box 700
Canberra ACT 2601



# If you are still not happy with the NDIS



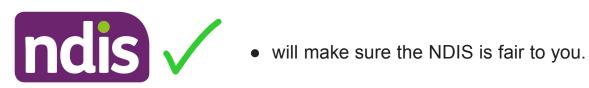
Ask to speak to a manager.

Contact the **Ombudsman**. The Ombudsman

• is a government person



does not work for the NDIS





### **How to contact the Ombudsman**



Call 1300 362 072

Go to the Ombudsman website.



www.ombudsman.gov.au/pages/making-a-complaint/

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