# Transcript: Connect With the NDIS at our Local Provider Forums

Speaker Chris: Hi, my name's Chris. I'm from the NDIA, and we're here at the Melbourne provider forum today. This is a fantastic opportunity for providers to connect with the local provider teams face-to-face, to ask questions and learn more about the NDIS as it rolls out around the country.

Speaker Julie Graham, genU Executive General Manager: I think it's really important to come to the forums because there's so much change, rapid change. It's refreshing to hear about all the things that are happening.

Tyrone McCuskey, McCallum Disability CEO: It's great come down, be able to engage with the NDIA directly.

Speaker Suzanne Punshon, NDIS Directory of National Provider Payment Team and Supported Independent Living: We know that providers are the lifeblood of the scheme for our participants. So, this is where you can really get to not only network with your other providers, but get first-hand information from our staff and other stakeholders.

Speaker Laye Kamara, Salomon Fraternity: Today I learned a lot of information to do with the NDIS. I met a lot of people from NDIS providers, I'm happy to take this opportunity to build myself, to build my business up.

Speaker Dr Jennifer Fitzgerald, Scope Australia CEO: Participate, learn, come ready with questions and trust in your peer providers. We still remain a not-for-profit community for the benefit of people that we serve.

Speaker Laye Kamara, Salomon Fraternity: If you have an opportunity, you need to give it a shot.

Speaker Suzanne Punshon, NDIS Directory of National Provider Payment Team and Supported Independent Living: This is where it's at, you have to come.

Speaker Chris: So, to find an event that's happening near you, or to sign up for the upcoming webinar, go to the NDIS website at www.ndis.gov.au