**Transcript: What the Tasmania test means for people seeking support**

We will begin a test of our new computer system and processes to deliver a better NDIS in Tasmania from November 2022.

This NDIS test will only take place in Tasmania.

The test does not change the NDIS rules or the way the NDIS works

Not everyone in Tasmania will be part of the test.

After our test in Tasmania starts, we can help:

• People with disability

• Children younger than 7 with disability, with developmental concerns or with developmental delay, and their families learn more about the community and mainstream supports available, including the NDIS.

Community supports are services you can get through community organisations, like peer-to-peer, community groups and local councils.

Mainstream supports are from other government funded services, like health, mental health and education.

NDIS local area coordinators and early childhood partners can help you make connections to the supports you need to be more independent and do more of the things you enjoy.

We can help you make connections to community and mainstream supports even if you are not eligible for the NDIS.

If you have a disability and are aged 7 to 64, NDIS local area coordinators can help you understand the supports in your area, and work with you to build a Community Connections plan.

If you are younger than 7, NDIS early childhood partners can help families with early connections to the right supports and create an Early Supports plan.

You can talk to an NDIS local area coordinator or early childhood partner to learn more about community and early connections.

Helping people and families connect to all available services and supports is an important part of our plan to improve the experience people have with the NDIS.

We will learn from everyone taking part in the Tasmania test to make sure the improvements we’re introducing work the way they should.

You can find more information about the NDIS test in Tasmania on our website, ndis.gov.au slash improvements.