

APPENDIX C – SOUTH AUSTRALIA PLANNED INTAKE OF PARTICIPANTS

1. This appendix supersedes Appendix B and sets out the agreed intake of participants, as agreed in clause 2 of Appendix B. This timetable schedule has been designed to facilitate an orderly intake of participants to the NDIS.
2. This monthly intake has been designed to ensure consideration is given to:
 - a. ensuring there is an appropriate balance of:
 - i. participants with varying needs of support;
 - ii. existing and new participants; and
 - b. alignment of the number of participants and their support needs with Agency operational capacity.
3. Part 3 of the *Bilateral Agreement for NDIS Launch between the Commonwealth and South Australia* identifies that:
 - a. for 2013-14, the launch will cover children with disability aged birth-5;
 - b. for 2014-15, the launch will cover children birth-13; and
 - c. for 2015-16, the launch will cover children birth-14.
4. Two criteria have been applied in determining the timeframes for facilitation of planning under the NDIS for those participants eligible in 2013-14, namely:
 - a. Age – Participants will be clustered in the following age groups:
 - i. birth to two years of age;
 - ii. three years of age;
 - iii. four years of age; and
 - iv. five years of age.
 - b. Location – will be used to timetable participants within age group clusters. However, in a small number of remote areas the Agency will cluster participants birth to five and will facilitate their plans.

5. Participants who are not currently accessing disability programs who are eligible for the NDIS can access the NDIS in accordance with this appendix and the Agency will facilitate their plan in line with a timetable to ensure equity of access for all participants.
6. Within these mechanisms, the Parties agree that the Agency may also apply other administrative criteria to facilitate participants' access to the Scheme in a way that is equitable and transparent.
7. The Commonwealth will use the State phasing methodology for Commonwealth participants. It is estimated that the following number of participants (as set out in Table 1) will have plans facilitated in accordance with the age clustering detailed below.

Table 1

2013-2014		Jul - Sept	Oct - Dec	Jan - Mar	Apr- Jun	Total
Steady flow - age cohorts						
New entrants	Per Quarter	21	21	23	24	89
Existing 0-2 years	Per Quarter	330				
Existing 3 years	Per Quarter		309			
Existing 4 years	Per Quarter			397		
Existing 5 years	Per Quarter				440	1476
Total	Per Quarter	351	330	420	464	1565
	Cumulative	351	681	1101	1565	

8. The above estimated participant intake flow is based on:
 - a. the known number of people who are currently receiving existing disability services;
 - b. an estimate of the likely number of new participants as yet not known to the state or Commonwealth systems who may meet the access requirements of the Scheme. This number is based on the average intake of new participants into SA Disability programs over the last three years; and
 - c. Agency capacity.
9. The planned intake of participants outlined above may be amended subject to:
 - a. the settling of design rules; and
 - b. the availability of more recent 2011-12 data.
10. Participant phasing arrangements for six – 13 year olds in 2014-15 and for 14 year olds in 2015-16 will be under a similar arrangement, although subject to adjustment taking into

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account lessons learnt during 2013-14, and will be agreed between the Agency, South Australia and the Commonwealth at a future date, with the expectation that 2014-15 numbers will be agreed no later than 28 February 2014 and 2015-16 numbers will be agreed no later than 28 February 2015.

11. Consistent with paragraph 3 of this appendix, numbers of participants being phased into the scheme during the initial stage of the launch may be adjusted in consultation between the Agency, South Australia and the Commonwealth.
12. The approach to phasing of participants into the scheme during the initial stages of the launch may be adjusted in consultation between the Agency, South Australia and the Commonwealth.