Section 17 Document

FOI 26/27-0743

Scope of request	*"I am writing to request access to aggregated statistical information regarding public hospital patients who are current or prospective NDIS participants.* *I am seeking de-identified information only and am happy to receive it as part of an informal request if possible. If a formal GIPA application is required, please let me know.* *Specifically, I would appreciate any available data for the most recent 24-month period showing, by month where possible:* *• The number of patients occupying NSW public hospital beds who were current NDIS participants.* *• The number of patients who had been declared medically fit for discharge but remained in hospital awaiting NDIS-funded supports or services.* *• A breakdown by Local Health District and, if available, by individual hospital.* *• The average and median number of days patients remained in hospital after being declared medically fit for discharge.* *• Where available, the primary reason for delayed discharge (for example: awaiting SIL, SDA, home modifications, assistive technology, plan approval, provider availability or support worker availability).* *If some or all of this information is held by individual Local Health Districts rather than the Ministry, I would appreciate your advice on the appropriate agency or agencies to contact."* For the purposes of this request, "current NDIS participant" means a person who was an NDIS participant at the time of the relevant hospital admission/hospital episode or, where the NDIA's records are based on notification, at the time the NDIA was notified of their hospital admission.

Below is information for the response to FOI.

Recap of original requested items and what we will be able to provision.

a) The number of patients occupying NSW public hospital beds who were current NDIS participants. As per point 1 above. Latest month/period will be provided
b) The number of patients who had been declared medically fit for discharge but remained in hospital awaiting NDIS-funded supports or services. Latest month/period will be provided
c) A breakdown by Local Health District and, if available, by individual hospital. As per point 1 above . Latest month/period will be provided
d) The average and median number of days patients remained in hospital after being declared medically fit for discharge. This can be provided for the 24months.
e) Where available, the primary reason for delayed discharge (for example: awaiting SIL, SDA, home modifications, assistive technology, plan approval, provider availability, or support worker availability). As above point 2

Request a

a) The number of patients occupying NSW public hospital beds who were current NDIS participants at the time of notification.

As at 30 September 2026, there were 590 NDIS participants in NSW public hospital beds.

Request b

b) The number of patients who had been declared medically fit for discharge but remained in hospital awaiting NDIS-funded supports or services

Of the 590 NDIS participants, 118 are Medically Ready for Discharge.

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Request c

c) A breakdown by Local Health District and, if available, by individual hospital as at 30 September 2026

(see table below for the 590 participants)

Local Health District	Facility Name	Count of Index
Western Sydney	Auburn Hospital	1
Western Sydney	Blacktown Hospital	28
Western Sydney	Cumberland Hospital and Mental Health Services	31
Western Sydney	Westmead Hospital	16
Northern Sydney	Hornsby Ku-Ring-gai Hospital	5
Northern Sydney	Macquarie Hospital	47
Northern Sydney	Mona Vale Hospital	1
Northern Sydney	Northern Beaches Hospital	1
Northern Sydney	Royal North Shore Hospital	9
Northern Sydney	Royal Rehab	1
Northern Sydney	Ryde Hospital	7
Hunter New England		1
Hunter New England	Armidale Hospital	5
Hunter New England	Belmont Hospital Newcastle	1
Hunter New England	Calvary Mater Newcastle	8
Hunter New England	Inverell Hospital	1
Hunter New England	John Hunter Hospital	11
Hunter New England	Kurri Kurri Hospital	3
Hunter New England	Maitland Hospital	5
Hunter New England	Manning Hospital	1
Hunter New England	Morisset Mental Health Hospital	28
Hunter New England	Muswellbrook Hospital	1
Hunter New England	Singleton Hospital	1
Hunter New England	Tamworth Hospital	7
South Western Sydney	Bankstown-Lidcombe Hospital	7
South Western Sydney	Bowral Hospital	1
South Western Sydney	Braeside Hospital	3
South Western Sydney	Camden Hospital	1
South Western Sydney	Campbelltown Hospital	17
South Western Sydney	Fairfield Hospital	4
South Western Sydney	Liverpool Hospital	31
Sydney	Balmain Hospital	1
Sydney	Canterbury Hospital	3
Sydney	Concord Repatriation General Hospital	45
Sydney	Royal Prince Alfred Hospital	10
Illawarra Shoalhaven	Bulli Hospital & Aged Care Centre	6
Illawarra Shoalhaven	David Berry Hospital	1
Illawarra Shoalhaven	Shellharbour Hospital	3
Illawarra Shoalhaven	Shoalhaven Hospital	2
Illawarra Shoalhaven	Wollongong Hospital	23
Western NSW Local Health District	Barraminna MH Unit	1
Western NSW Local Health District	Bathurst Base Hospital	3
Western NSW Local Health District	Condobolin Health Service	1
Western NSW Local Health District	Dubbo Hospital	3
Western NSW Local Health District	Narromine Health Service	1
Western NSW Local Health District	Orange Health Service	1
Western NSW Local Health District	Orange Health Service - Bloomfield Hospital	15
Western NSW Local Health District	Wellington Health Service	1
South Eastern Sydney	Calvary Hospital (Kogarah)	1
South Eastern Sydney	Prince of Wales Hospital	14
South Eastern Sydney	St George Hospital	7
South Eastern Sydney	Sutherland Hospital	5
South Eastern Sydney	Sydney Hospital and Sydney Eye Hospital	1
Region Blue Mountains	Blue Mountains Hospital	2
Region Blue Mountains	Hawkesbury Hospital	2
Region Blue Mountains	Lithgow Hospital	1
Region Blue Mountains	Kempsey Hospital	10
Northern NSW	Byron Central Hospital	1
Northern NSW	Casino & District Memorial Hospital	1
Northern NSW	Grafton Base Hospital	2
Northern NSW	Lismore Base Hospital	3
Northern NSW	Maclean District Hospital	1
Northern NSW	Murwillumbah District Hospital	1
Northern NSW	The Tweed Hospital	7
Mid North Coast	Bellingen Hospital	1
Mid North Coast	Coffs Harbour Health Campus	16
Mid North Coast	Kempsey District Hospital	1
Mid North Coast	Port Macquarie Base Hospital	1
St Vincent's Health Network	St Vincent's Hospital New South Wales	11
Central Coast	Gosford Hospital	9
Central Coast	Wyong Hospital	5
Southern NSW	Bateman's Bay Hospital	1
Southern NSW	Cooma Hospital & Health Service	1
Southern NSW	Goulburn Base Hospital / Chisholm Ross Centre	4
Southern NSW	Kenmore Hospital	4
Southern NSW	South East Regional Hospital (Bega)	1
Sydney Children's Hospitals Network	Sydney Childrens Hospital	7
Sydney Children's Hospitals Network	The Children's Hospital at Westmead	9
Murrumbidgee Local Health District	Gundagai Hospital	1
Murrumbidgee Local Health District	Temora Hospital	1
Murrumbidgee Local Health District	Wagga Wagga Hospital	6
Albury Wodonga Health	Albury Wodonga Health - Albury Campus	1
Grand Total		590

Request d

d) The average and median number of days patients remained in hospital after being declared medically fit for discharge

(see table below)

The months listed are the Discharge month

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Row Labels	1/10/2024	1/11/2024	1/12/2024	1/01/2025	1/02/2025	1/03/2025	1/04/2025	1/05/2025	1/06/2025	1/07/2025	1/08/2025	1/09/2025	1/10/2025	1/11/2025	1/12/2025	1/01/2026	1/02/2026	1/03/2026	1/04/2026	1/05/2026	1/06/2026	1/07/2026	1/08/2026	1/09/2026
Avg_MRFD2Dschrg	33	24	40	22	21	25	19	24	24	25	25	21	26	22	25	25	19	20	21	20	24	24	22	17
Med_MRFD2Dschrg	9	1	9	0	0	1	2	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	0

Request e

e) Where available, the primary reason for delayed discharge (for example: awaiting SIL, SDA, home modifications, assistive technology, plan approval, provider availability, or support worker availability).

(In terms of **Plan Implementation Barriers**, see tables below for the 590 participants)

Note that one case could have multiple barriers

Broken down by Hospital Status

Of the 118 Medically Ready cases, 58% (68) had Plan Implementation Barriers.

Of the 68 that had barriers, 35% (24) had "Supports - Sourcing critical service providers" as a Plan Implementation Barrier.

PIB	PlanImplementationBarriers	MRFD only
PIB016	Supports - Sourcing critical service providers	24
PIB017	Supports - Sourcing SIL	12
PIB011	Supports - Awaiting Transition Plan	11
PIB002	Housing - Sourcing MTA	11
PIB003	Housing - Sourcing Private	7
PIB005	Housing - Sourcing SDA	7
PIB004	Housing - Sourcing Public	6
PIB010	Supports - Awaiting Participant / Rep required action	5
PIB001	Housing - Awaiting Home Mods / Build	3
PIB015	Supports - Sourcing Assistive Technology	3
PIB006	Legal - Awaiting Court / Forensic Mental Health Order	2
PIB018	Supports - Unable to match client to provider	2

Request e

e) Where available, the primary reason for delayed discharge (for example: awaiting SIL, SDA, home modifications, assistive technology, plan approval, provider availability, or support worker availability).

(In terms of **Planning Barriers**, see tables below for the 590 participants)

Note that one case could have multiple barriers

Broken down by Hospital Status

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Of the 118 Medically Ready cases, 12% (14) had Planning Barriers.

Of the 14 that had barriers, 71% (10) had "Awaiting information from health provider" as a Planning Barrier.

PB	PlanningBarriers	MRFD only
PB001	Awaiting information from health provider	10
PB005	Awaiting S100	3
PB007	Awaiting Home and Living assessment	1

Notes

Data as at 30/09/2026

Data collected by NDIA Health Liaison Officers

Cases have been de-identified. (The Case and NDIS numbers have been removed.)

Hospital Discharge Cases were included if:

The participant was an existing participant at the time of notification.

State is NSW

Notification Date is not blank

Admission Type **is not** 'Diversionary Need'

Closure Reason **is not** 'Access Not Met', 'Admission Not Confirmed', 'Palliative Care' or 'Participant deceased'

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