Crackdown on sales of NDIS businesses as mandatory registration set to expand from 1 July

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The Government is moving to impose new obligations on the sale of NDIS businesses aimed at cracking down on the sale of ‘cleanskin’ registered businesses.

Amended NDIS rules introduce new requirements from 1 July so providers will have to notify as soon as they become aware of a sale will occur and new audits will be required where there are significant changes to governance or operations.

The Government is also moving to expand mandatory registration for Supported Independent Living (SIL) supports and NDIS digital platform providers.

From 1 July 2026, all new providers seeking to deliver SIL or operate as an NDIS digital platform will need to be registered.

All unregistered SIL providers must apply for registration by 1 October 2026 or stop providing SIL and must cease providing SIL services if they are refused registration.

SIL providers and digital platform providers will be required to demonstrate they are suitable to deliver NDIS supports, undergo independent assessments against quality standards, meet worker screening requirements, and comply with ongoing reporting and regulatory obligations.

The new requirements are the first step in the Government’s efforts to expand mandatory registration. The 2026-27 Budget funded the expansion of mandatory registration from 1 July 2027 to all high risk supports. The reform will see 90% of all NDIS payments go to registered providers. The Government will also fund a new payment system that will require NDIS providers to enrol with the NDIA before receiving payments.

Quotes attributable to the Minister for the NDIS, Senator Jenny McAllister:

“From 1 July this year we are setting a higher bar for providers of these critical, high-risk disability support services.

“We’re also making sure that we know when ownership of a registered provider changes hands because we want the right people running these critical services.

“A provider won’t be able to deliver services without demonstrating a genuine capability to deliver quality services to people with a disability.

“It’s likely there are some unregistered providers currently operating who wouldn’t meet the high standards which will be required.

“These providers have a choice. They can shape up or ship out.”

Quotes attributable to NDIS Quality and Safeguards Commissioner Louise Glanville:

“Registration gives the NDIS Commission greater visibility of providers delivering higher-risk services and allows us to identify risks earlier, respond more quickly when problems arise, and take action where providers are not meeting their obligations.

“Every NDIS participant has the right to receive safe and quality supports, regardless of who delivers them. These changes strengthen our ability to prevent harm, respond quickly to issues, and hold providers to account.”

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