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The National Mental Health Sector Reference Group was established to develop a strong working partnership between the mental health sector and the NDIA.

## Membership

Membership includes representatives from consumers, carers, peak associations, NDIS Independent Advisory Council members and key government representatives including Mental Health Commissions.

## Current members:

- Judith Drake – Consumer Representative
- Kerry Hawkins – Community Mental Health Australia
- Darren Munday – National Mental Health Consumer Alliance
- Professor Sharon Lawn – Lived Experience Australia
- Carolyn Nikoloski – Mental Health Australia
- Derek James – Department Health, Disability and Ageing
- Phil Watson – Victorian Department of Health
- Vince Ponzio – NSW Ministry of Health
- Ivan Frkovic – Queensland Mental Health Commissioner
- Dr Donna Gillies – NDIS Quality and Safeguards Commission
- Dr Bill Pring – The Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Psychiatrists
- Dr Leighton Jay – NDIS Independent Advisory Council
- Amanda Curran – Allied Health Professions Australia
- Kylie Coventry – Australian Psychological Society
- Katrina Armstrong – Mental Health Carers Australia
- David McGrath – National Mental Health Commission
- Sam Shipley – Department of Health, Disability and Ageing

## Meeting summaries

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## 2026 meeting summaries

- [4 March 2026 meeting summary](#)

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- [19 November 2025 meeting summary](#)
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- [5 April 2022 meeting summary](#)
- [25 November 2021 meeting summary](#)
- [15 April 2021 meeting summary](#)
- [26 November 2020 meeting summary](#)
- [September 2020 meeting summary](#)
- [June 2020 meeting summary](#)
- [17 April 2018 meeting summary](#)

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- [Psychosocial Disability Recovery-Oriented Framework \(DOCX 72KB\)](#)
- [Psychosocial Disability Recovery-Oriented Framework \(PDF 305KB\)](#)
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