

**Senate Community Affairs Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
**SOCIAL SERVICES PORTFOLIO**  
**2016-2017 Additional Estimates Hearings**

**Outcome Number: 3.2 National Disability Insurance Scheme Question No: SQ17-000079**

**Topic: NDIS Transition**

**Hansard page: Written**

**Senator Rachel Siewert asked:**

In relation to the answer provided to question on notice 428 from Supplementary Budget Estimates 2016-17, given that support for carers will be tied to the eligibility of the person they care for, how will data on the amount of support going to carers be collected?

a. How will you ensure there is information gathered on carers to monitor what and how much support is provided, particularly post MHR:CS funding transitioning to the NDIS?

**Answer:**

The National Disability Insurance Agency collects information on outcomes for families and carers as part of its National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) Outcomes Framework.

The National Institute for Labour Studies, Flinders University, collected information about, and reported on, experience of participants and their family members and/or carers as part of their evaluation of the NDIS during trial:

[https://www.ndis.gov.au/building\\_evidence.html#evaluation](https://www.ndis.gov.au/building_evidence.html#evaluation).

Information will continue to be collected by the Department of Social Services on services and supports provided to carers, through the carer programs funded by the Department which are not transitioning funding to the NDIS.