Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

SOCIAL SERVICES PORTFOLIO

2016 – 2017 Additional Budget Estimates Hearings

Outcome: National Disability Insurance Agency Question No: NDIA SQ17-000036

Topic: Young People in Aged Care

Hansard Page: Written
Senator Reynolds asked:

At the previous Estimates hearing, Mr Bowen told the committee that young people in aged care would not be required to pay for fees that relate to their care and support. The NDIA also said that the administrative arrangements for this are still being finalised.

- a. Are these administrative arrangements now finalised? Can the NDIA confirm what aged care fees it is paying for participants?
- b. Will young people in aged care (and in the NDIS) be reimbursed for the fees they have been paying while the NDIA works out these administrative arrangements

Answer:

- a) The administrative arrangements are yet to be finalised between the Department of Social Services and the Department of Health, although they have progressed since the previous Estimates hearing. As the administrative arrangements are yet to be finalised, the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) does not currently fund any Aged Care fees for Participants.
- b) The NDIS does not retrospectively fund supports if those supports were not included in the participants plan.