Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

SOCIAL SERVICES PORTFOLIO

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Senator Siewert, Rachel asked:

In the plan for the 2016 tender round for NDAP, what consideration is being given to ensuring that this group are adequately covered?

Answer:

The Department of Social Services is currently reviewing the National Disability Advocacy Program (NDAP) and Framework in the context of the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS).

The review will examine improving access to advocacy supports for all people with disability including young people in aged care and the interface between disability advocacy and mainstream service systems.

A decision about arrangements from 1 July 2016 will be informed by the review.