

Senator Lucy Gichuhi
Chair
Senate Community Affairs Legislation Committee
Parliament House
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Senator Gichuhi

**Correction of evidence given at 2018-19 Additional Estimates hearing on
21 February 2019**

I am writing to clarify a statement made during the Committee's examination of the National Disability Insurance Agency in relation to Outcome 3.

I refer to the below extract from page 66 of the transcript:

Senator WATT: What's the current utilisation rate?

Mr Francis: The current utilisation rate is eight per cent. It's worth noting that it has been progressively increasing. For example, as at 31 December 2016, it was 6.7 per cent; at 31 December 2017, 7.2 per cent; at 31 December 2018, we're up to eight per cent. So it's iteratively going up, but certainly nowhere near the rate at which we were ultimately modelling it.

I wish to clarify the reference made to the term 'utilisation' which should read as 'participation'. This aligns to the conversation and figures as they relate to how many people from CALD backgrounds are participating in the Scheme.

Yours sincerely

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