



JOINT COMMITTEES

**JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON THE NATIONAL DISABILITY INSURANCE SCHEME**

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**PUBLIC HEARING**  
**Thursday 23 October 2025**

**The Corinthian Room, Sydney Masonic Centre**  
**66 Goulburn St, Sydney**

*All times Australian Eastern Daylight Time*

Time	Witness
9.00 am	<b>National Disability Services</b> ( <i>Submission 8</i> ) Mr Michael Perusco, Chief Executive Officer Ms Emily Forrest, Deputy CEO and Director of Policy and Advocacy
9.30 am	<b>Multicultural Disability Advocacy Association</b> Mr William Robin, Advocacy Manager and Public Officer Ms Alicia Rodriguez, NDIS Appeals Advocate and Senior Systemic Advocate & Policy Officer
10.00 am	<b>Women With Disabilities Australia</b> Ms Sophie Cusworth, Chief Executive Officer  <b>Children and Young People with Disability Australia</b> Mrs Skye Kokoschke-Moore, Chief Executive Officer
<b>10.45 am</b>	<b>Break</b>
11.00 am	<b>Australian Federation of Disability Organisations</b> Mr Matthew Hall, National Manager, Systematic Advocacy and Policy  <b>Disability Advocacy Network Australia</b> Mr David Petherick, Interim CEO and representative of the National Coordination Function for Disability Representative Organisations Mr Liam Thatcher, Policy and Advocacy Officer (via teleconference)
11.45 am	<b>Australian Rehabilitation &amp; Assistive Technology Association</b> ( <i>Submission 2</i> ) Ms Melanie Hoyle, President Ms Muriel Cummins, Policy and Strategy Officer  <b>Physical Disability Council of NSW</b> Mr Edward Morris, Chief Executive Officer Ms Annabel Smith, Senior Systemic Advocacy Officer Ms Kelley Temple, Manager, Systemic Advocacy
<b>12.30 pm</b>	<b>Lunch</b>

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1.30 pm	<b>NDIS Quality and Safeguards Commission</b> Ms Louise Glanville, Commissioner Ms Natalie Wade, Associate Commissioner Ms Alisa Chambers, Deputy Commissioner -Regulatory Operations, Insights and Review will be attending alongside the Commissioner Glanville and Associate Commissioner Wade
<b>3.00 pm</b>	<b>Break</b>
3.15 pm	<b>People with Disability Australia</b> Ms Michelle Keogh, Acting Director (via teleconference) Mx Megan Spindler-Smith, Acting Chief Executive Officer
3.45 pm	<b>Villamanta - Disability Rights Legal Service (Submission 5)</b> Ms Naomi Anderson, Legal Practice Manager (via teleconference) Ms Margaret Knight, private capacity (via teleconference) Mr Jonathan Vanek, private capacity  <b>National Legal Aid (Submission 14)</b> Ms Katherine McKernan, Executive Director
<b>4.30 pm</b>	<b>Adjournment</b>