

Joint Standing Committee on the National Disability Insurance Scheme

INQUIRY INTO AND REPORT ON THE TRANSITIONAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE NDIS

ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

Department of Social Services

Topic: Personal Care in Schools (PCIS) in the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS)

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Question: In relation to recommendation 5 of the ‘Transitional arrangements for the NDIS’ report tabled 15 February 2018, please provide an update of the work of the PCIS Working Group on the scope and process for delivering PCIS under the NDIS.

Answer: On 10 December 2018, the Disability Reform Council (DRC) agreed that state and territory governments will continue to deliver services for personal care in schools (PCIS) to 31 December 2023. While these in-kind funding arrangements are in place, the Commonwealth, and state and territory governments, and the National Disability Insurance Agency will work together to develop a potential approach for the delivery of PCIS that provides greater options for students and their families either within the NDIS or alongside the scheme.