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To: Community Affairs, Committee (SEN);

Subject: Submission to the Inquiry into the National Disability Insurance Scheme Bill 2012

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Please consider this email a formal submission by me to the Senate Standing Committee on Community Affairs Inquiry into the National Disability Insurance Scheme Bill 2012.

The current disability system has many problems that need to be addressed.

There is not enough spaces for children who have autism to get funding so most of us have to miss out on getting help

The main features of the NDIS that will make a difference to the community are:

Better access to mainstream support and services, People with disability can choose who comes into their home, The ability to receive services when needed and in the way that suits the person, Increased ability to coordinate services to suit the "whole" person/family, Minimising the number of times people have to tell their story in order to get support, Less red tape, with planning done locally by people who know their community, Removal of age barriers to services for children, People with disability/family will influence the types of support and services offered

The most important services for the NDIS to provide are:

Education support (technology/services/equipment), Recreation and community access, Support for families and carers, In-home care and domestic assistance, Flexible in-home/outside home respite

I support the introduction of the NDIS.

I believe it will make it a lot easier for families as a lot of families struggle to get some support

I agree for my submission to be made public

Regards,

Miss Rebecca Palin