

20th August 2025

Mark Dreyfus

MP for Isaacs,

By Post/ By Hand Delivered

Dear Mark,

Neuroatypical Job Seeking Candidates

I have been going through several employment related issues for last 15 years. At age of 50 I have been diagnosed for high functional autism. I have neuroatypical issues and speech drops. I do not have any family supports.

In November 2023 I wrote my situation to Clare O'Neill MP through my NDIS Support Coordinator. Those documents are enclosed. I did not get a chance of meeting her or did not receive a solution for my workplace access problems.

In 2025 electoral boundaries were changed and I became an elector for Isaacs.

I became a Scam victim while looking for work in 2022 with Disability Employment Service. (DES). That created a climate which was immensely impossible for me to use the communication network, phone, emails and Internet. Resulting difficulties have gone to the extent that I cannot complain to the authorities about rubbish dumping around my house or around my neighbourhood though I need a clean space for maintaining my mental health. I am a Chartered Electrical Engineer though I cannot find at least one day per week. Work is important in my life. My economic participation has barricaded. I live without hope.

I cannot drive. I rely on public transport and hand deliver letters including this. Because of bad experiences in the past, I cannot go anymore through Disability Employment Service (DES) which has triggered hospital admission episodes.

I am a NDIS participant. I was trying for a year now to access employment support through NDIA. However, the agency does not offer me a face-to-face review. Instead, they advise me to do Internet based review which I refuse owing to Scam and trust issues.

Request

I want to meet you in view of taking this matter to the Parliament Committees on Education, Employment, Workplace Relations and Mental Health. The policy issues arising here are,

- The candidates with mental illness like me with Higher Professions are not appropriately supported to find work
- Illnesses like my high functional Autism are not diagnosed timely and supported appropriately to access workplace
- Failures of Disability Employment Service and its potential successor NDIA to intervene with the matter after repeated requests.

##Since I am not considering Disability Employment (DES) as a recourse I want to discuss other available alternatives.

The documents I sent to Ms O'Neil before the change of electoral boundaries are in this envelop.

1. Letter to Clare O'Neil MP-19.11.2023
2. Submission No 45 of Parliament Committee report-16.11.2015
3. Parliament Inquiry Report page 1,136,137- 2016 March
4. Other relevant correspondences 28.01.2024

I sincerely hope you will give me an opportunity to meet and discuss my problem in detail.

Yours Sincerely,

