

Senate Community Affairs References Committee
Barriers to consistent, timely and best practice assessment of attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD) and support services for people with ADHD

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ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE
National Disability Insurance Agency

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Question:

Senator Steele-John: So, functionally, you have to provide more information to the agency in order to complete an access request if you fall outside of those categories?

Mr McNaughton: Yes, that's correct.

Senator Steele-John: I'm familiar with the history of the scheme. I understand where the original ideas for categories A, B and D came from. But, in terms of where we are now in 2023, when was the last time that a condition or impairment was added to the category A or category B listing?

Mr McNaughton: To my knowledge, we haven't updated the list now for a good two or three years. I'll stand corrected, but I will check that. And there's a question, as I mentioned. The independent NDIS review is looking at the future of access. We wouldn't be making too many further changes pending the results of government considerations of any recommendations coming out of that.

Answer:

The Access Lists have not been updated since 2014. Currently, there is no work in progress to update the lists published in 'Our Guideline - Applying to the NDIS' on our website.