

Senate Community Affairs Committee
ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
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Outcome: National Disability Insurance Agency

Question No: NDIA SQ15-000009

Topic: Housing and the NDIS

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Senator McLucas asked:

When will the NDIA paper into housing issues and the NDIS be made public?

Answer:

On 16 February 2015, the Council of Australian Governments (COAG) Disability Reform Council (DRC) — comprised of Commonwealth, state and territory disability ministers and treasurers — met to discuss housing policy issues related to the NDIS, including the scope of responsibility to support the housing needs of participants.

DRC ministers noted the importance of resolving the interaction of the NDIS and jurisdictional housing strategies in the process of meeting the needs of participants.

As such, DRC ministers have asked their Commonwealth, state and territory officials to bring proposals about housing strategies to the council's meeting in April for consideration. These discussions have overtaken the development of a discussion paper the NDIA prepared on user cost of capital.

Questions related to this work are appropriately directed to the Department of Social Services.