



# Disability Services

## Budget Initiatives and Priorities for 2016–17

### I. Transition to the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS)

Transition to the full NDIS will start 1 July 2016 and will benefit around 10 600 people by July 2019.

Over the 2016-17 Budget and Forward Estimates period, the Department will contribute over \$572 million to the NDIS.

As per the March 2016 Quarterly Report, the trial of the NDIS has already seen 1 135 young Tasmanians with disability aged between 15 to 24 with funded and approved plans in Tasmania.

The transition to full scheme will continue the statewide age group approach:

- 1 July 2016, the scheme will grow to become available to people aged 12 to 14.
- 1 January 2017, it will grow to become available to people aged 25 -28.

In the second year, the NDIS will become available to all people aged four to 34 years:

- 1 July 2017, the scheme will grow to be available to people aged four to 11.
- 1 January 2018, it will grow to become available to people aged 29 to 34.

In the third year, the NDIS will become available to all people aged zero to 64 years:

- 1 July 2018, the scheme will grow to be available to children aged 0-3 and adults aged 35 – 49.
- 1 January 2019, all remaining adults aged 50 to 64 years will transition to the NDIS.

Part of the phasing approach is to transition people living in supported accommodation across to the NDIS over the next three years on a house-by-house basis.

This will start in July 2016, where if one or more residents in supported accommodation are eligible to enter the NDIS, then the other household members will also enter the scheme, even if their age cohort is not yet eligible.

