



What you need to know about the National Disability Insurance Scheme rollout in NSW

The National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) gives people with disability choice and control over the supports they receive.

140,000



People in NSW will receive support under the NDIS. This includes **95,000** people who currently receive disability supports.



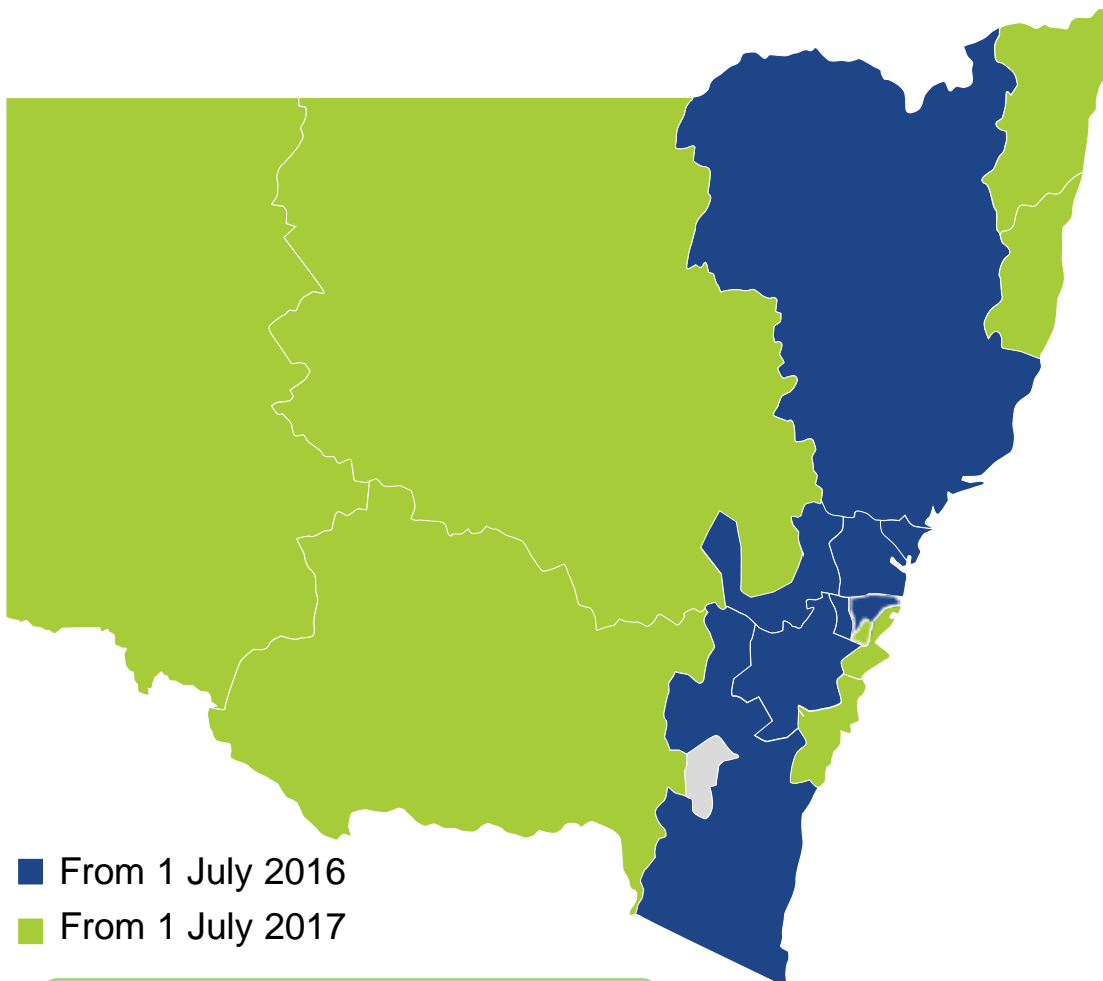
The NDIS will be rolled out in NSW between 1 July 2016 and 30 June 2018.

\$6.4 billion



A year will be spent in NSW on disability supports under the NDIS. This is a significant increase from current levels of funding.

The NDIS will be rolled out in NSW over two years. When you can access the NDIS depends on where you live.*



■ From 1 July 2016

■ From 1 July 2017

To find out when the NDIS is available in your area visit:

www.ndis.nsw.gov.au

From 1 July 2016

You will be able to access the NDIS from 1 July 2016, if you live in the following districts:

- ✓ Central Coast
- ✓ Hunter New England
- ✓ Nepean Blue Mountains
- ✓ Northern Sydney
- ✓ South Western Sydney
- ✓ Southern NSW
- ✓ Western Sydney

From 1 July 2017

You will be able to access the NDIS from 1 July 2017, if you live in the following districts:

- ✓ Illawarra Shoalhaven
- ✓ Mid North Coast
- ✓ Murrumbidgee
- ✓ Northern NSW
- ✓ South Eastern Sydney
- ✓ Sydney
- ✓ Western NSW
- ✓ Far West

- The geographical approach to the rollout reflects the current NSW disability and Health service districts.

The NDIS rollout started in a trial site in the Hunter in July 2013. In July 2015 it started in the Nepean Blue Mountains for children and young people 0-17 years.



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How and when you will be able to access the NDIS also depends on what supports, if any, you currently receive.

People currently receiving **specialist disability supports**

Includes people living in supported accommodation, accessing a community access service such as a day program, or case management service.

The majority will be able to access the NDIS **in the first six months of each** of the two year rollout periods. They will not need to apply for access to the NDIS, but will go through a simplified access process.

People who access **specialist disability supports from time-to-time, or for a short amount of time each week**

Includes people who access respite or a community care program.

Will be able to access the NDIS **throughout each of the two year rollout periods**. People receiving respite services will go through a simplified access process. People receiving community care services will be supported to apply for access to the NDIS.

New participants

People who do not currently receive specialist disability supports from the NSW Government.

Will have the opportunity to access the scheme **when it starts in their local area**, if they are in immediate need of assistance, and do not currently have support.

From 1 July 2018, all of the expected 140,000 eligible people living in NSW will be able to access the NDIS.



Information, Linkages and Capacity Building (ILC)

ILC includes programs and services to support you to prepare for the NDIS ahead of the rollout in each area. These will assist you with pre-planning, finding local services and information about the types of supports that are available.



Continuity of support

No one will be disadvantaged in the move to the NDIS. People who had been receiving specialist disability support, but are not eligible for the NDIS, will maintain the same outcomes they received before the NDIS.



Quality and safeguards

A national quality and safeguarding system will be in place once the rollout is complete. Until it is in place, the existing NSW and Commonwealth quality assurance arrangements will continue.

What should you do now?

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Find out when you can access the NDIS, and if you may be eligible via:
www.ndis.nsw.gov.au

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Start to think about the types of supports you would need or what you want to change

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You will be contacted before the rollout in your area*

* The NSW Government will contact people who already receive disability supports. If you do not currently receive disability support, you should contact the NDIA once the NDIS is available in your area.

Your NSW Government funded disability supports will continue until you can access the NDIS in your local area.

Visit www.ndis.nsw.gov.au for more information about the rollout of the NDIS in NSW