



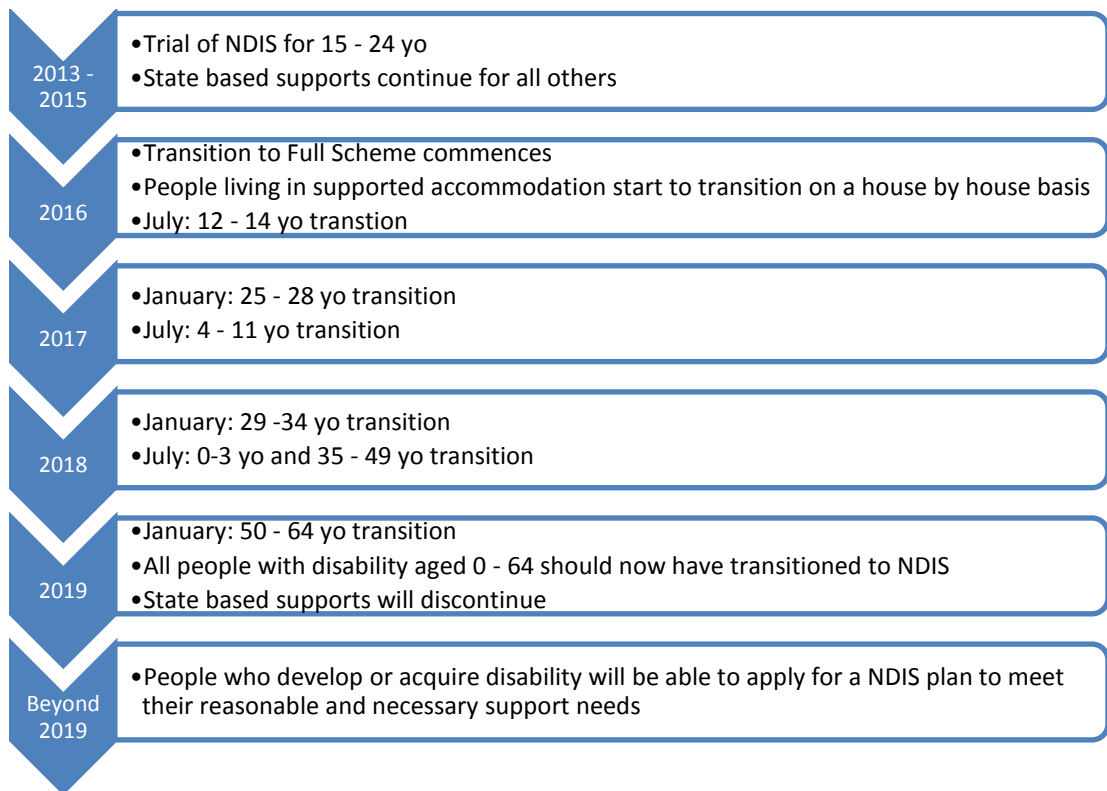
Information for Potential Participants

What is the Transition to the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS)?

- The Tasmanian and Commonwealth Governments have signed an agreement called the 'Bilateral Agreement for full scheme NDIS implementation in Tasmania'.
- The Bilateral Agreement means the NDIS is being rolled out in Tasmania, bringing increased choice and control for Tasmanians with disability.
- The roll-out of the NDIS is called 'the transition to full scheme'. By July 2019, all Tasmanian people with disability will be covered by the NDIS.
- People receiving NDIS support are called 'Participants'.
- The NDIS will provide a range of supports for people with disability in Tasmania, including individual NDIS Plans for eligible people with disability.
- The Commonwealth and Tasmanian Governments and the National Disability Insurance Agency (NDIA) will work together to make sure participants, their families, carers and service providers are kept up-to-date about the transition to full scheme in Tasmania.

When will you transition to the NDIS?

- The implementation to full scheme started in 2016 and will be finished by 2019.
- Full scheme is being introduced in stages because it is a big change and there are a large number of people starting to receive an NDIS Plan through the Scheme in a short period of time. It is expected that there will be almost 10 600 people with an NDIS Plan by 30 June 2019.
- The Bilateral Agreement outlines that eligible people with disability will have an NDIS Plan in Tasmania as follows:



- Part of the staged approach is transitioning people living in supported accommodation on a house by house basis to an NDIS Plan over the transition period.

Next Steps

If you are already receiving specialist disability support (such as a community access or ISP package):

- you do not need to do anything right now;
- you will be contacted about your access to the NDIS by the NDIA National Access Team when it's your turn to get an NDIS Plan;
- you will continue to have access to State funded specialist disability services (such as supported accommodation, community access and ISP packages) until you have an NDIS Plan;
- Gateway services will continue to provide you with assistance to access services.



If you are currently on a needs register with Gateway Services:

- you do not need to do anything right now;
- you will be contacted by the NDIA National Access Team about your access to the NDIS;
- you may be allocated a specialist disability support package (such as a community access or ISP package) while you wait to access the NDIS;
- Gateway services will continue to provide you with assistance to access services.

If you are not currently receiving specialist disability services and are not known to Gateway Services, but think you would be eligible for an NDIS Plan:

- you can contact Gateway Services to talk about whether you are eligible for an NDIS Plan by phoning 1800 171 233
- you can go to NDIS website for more information or make contact with the NDIA directly by phoning 1800 800 110.

Gateway Services are an easily accessible point of contact for people who have questions about whether they are eligible for an NDIS Plan or are unsure about the process for transition to the NDIS.

During the transition to full scheme NDIS in Tasmania, Gateway Services will also be able to provide information and support for people with disability, families and carers to assist with pre-planning for the transition to the NDIS. If you want more information, please contact the NDIA or the Gateway Services

NDIA Office Locations

Hobart: 111 Macquarie St, Hobart
Launceston: 6-18 George St, Launceston
Devonport: 11-13 Stewart St, Devonport

NDIA Phone: 1800 800 110
NDIS Website: www.ndis.gov.au/people-disability

Gateway Services:

Mission Australia

North West: 56-58 Oldaker Street, Devonport



South East: Level 1/10 Bayfield Street, Rosny Park
Website: www.missionaustralia.com.au/contact-us
Baptcare
North: Level 1, 8 Boland Street, Launceston
South West: Ground Floor, 175 Collins Street, Hobart
Website: www.baptcare.org.au



