**Home and Living consultation submission**

**Name:** Individual 1 (WA)

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**How do you identify:** A participant who does not currently access home and living supports

# **Do you talk to people about how you would like to live?**

Yes

## **If not, why not?**

* I’m happy with my current arrangements:
* I don’t think I have the money to make changes:
* I don’t know where to start:
* I’m comfortable thinking about it on my own:
* I don’t want to talk about it:
* Other – please describe:

## **What kinds of things do you talk about / would want to talk about?**

* Who I want to live with: No
* Where I want to live: No
* What supports the NDIS funds: No
* What options are available: Yes
* What other people have done: No
* Not sure: Yes
* Not Applicable: No
* Other – please describe: Yes

My son worries that he can not afford to live somewhere else.

# **Where would you like to get information to think about where and how you live?**

* Internet: No
* Social media: No
* Service providers: Yes
* Support Coordinator / LACs: No
* NDIS / NDIS website: No
* Friends and family: No
* Other participants / peers: Yes
* Government websites: No
* Peak bodies / advocacy groups: No
* Other – please describe: No

# **What information, learning and resources could we create to help you choose your home and living supports?**

* Examples of what options other people with disability might have chosen: No
* Someone to talk through my options with me: Yes
* Information that I can take away and read on my own: No
* Information given to providers: No
* Opportunities to talk with NDIS representatives on new options: Yes
* Other – please describe: Yes

Increased housing options, there is not enough housing. It was suggested my son go on a wait list for public housing at 17 to get somewhere in 7 years and then it may not be possible. Covid has made housing shortage and waitlists bigger.

# **How helpful is the NDIS website to find information on home and living supports?**

Not at all helpful

## **What would improve the helpfulness of home and living information on the website?**

Actually listing service providers for housing in each state. I have found the NDIS website tells you to contact other people or ask the LAC.

# **Would it be helpful if your informal supports (e.g. friends, family and carers) knew more about how and where you want to live?**

Not sure

## **How can we work better with your informal supports to help them know more?**

No answer recorded

# **If your NDIS funding was more flexible, would you purchase different support/s for your home life than what you have now?**

No answer recorded

## **Such as?**

# **Who helps you to organise your NDIS supports?**

* Formal support, such as a support coordinator / LAC / NDIA planner or delegate: Yes
* Informal support, such as family / friends / carer / peer support networks / mentors: Yes
* No one / I self-manage my funds: No
* Other – please describe: No

## **How helpful is using formal supports?**

Very helpful

## **How helpful is using informal supports?**

Somewhat helpful

## **How helpful is using other supports?**

No answer recorded

# **Have you ever used peer support networks or a mentor to find / access NDIS supports?**

No

# **Of the following options, who would you be most likely to use to help you implement your plan?**

* Peer support networks: Neutral
* Mentors: Very unlikely
* Specialised home and living support coordinators: Extremely likely
* Support coordinator / LAC: Extremely unlikely
* NDIA planner / delegate: Extremely unlikely
* Family and friends: Extremely unlikely
* Other – please describe: Very unlikely

My son would like the chance to move out of home and live independently. He does not want to rely solely on family. That is not being independent just because you are more likely to use that family support because there is nothing else, does not mean you are independent.

# **How would you like to encourage providers to offer new and innovative service options?**

* Pricing incentives for providers: Yes
* Recognition of innovative providers: Yes
* Newsletters: No
* Showcases: No
* Participant reviews and ratings: No
* Other – please describe: Yes

We are in a country area, providers are full, or specialized care such as day centers that does not suit some young people out of school and between jobs.

# **Appendix D (see consultation paper) lists options for actions we could take to improve home and living in the NDIS. What other ideas would you add to Appendix D?**

More housing available for semi independent young people.

# **Do you identify as:**

* Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander? No
* From a culturally and linguistically diverse background? No
* Living in a rural and remote area? Yes
* LGBTIQA? No
* Having a psychosocial disability? Yes

# **Is there something you would like to see in a home and living policy specific to your response in previous question 12?**

Extra support for those people that need some more company. Covid reinforced how lonely some people can get. It is easy to become isolated socially in country areas without a lot of recreational things to do if you are not into sport and have little income.

Home visits, send someone around to chat and stay motivated. Mental health support at home. It is hard to get motivated to get up let alone get up, leave the house to see a therapist.

# **Is there anything else you would like to add?**

I am pleased that young people living at home and wanting to move out is being supported.