**Home and Living consultation submission**

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**How do you identify:** A participant currently receiving 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: Yes
* What supports the NDIS funds: Yes
* What options are available: Yes
* What other people have done: No
* Not sure: No
* Not Applicable: No
* Other – please describe: Yes

That I want to live on my own, with supports & not be forced into a share house, living with people the NDIS picks out. I would like to be assured that there would be funding provided, without being worried it would be cut. Living on my own is a goal, & my goals should be heard & respected.

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

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

Disability Housing Providers that are separate from service providers, to prevent any conflict of interest!

# **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: Yes
* Someone to talk through my options with me: Yes
* Information that I can take away and read on my own: Yes
* Information given to providers: No
* Opportunities to talk with NDIS representatives on new options: Yes
* Other – please describe: Yes

Information from Housing providers

# **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?**

To stop encouraging share housing when it is not someone's wish!

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

Yes

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

Apart from my Aunty, the rest of my family has a no contact rule, but my friends know my wishes, my carers know my wishes, my NDIS support worker & other supports all know, they are all working with me, it's NDIS that need to work better with us,.By listening, by understanding that I am a person with disabilities, with feelings. Not a disabled person.

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

Yes

## **Such as?**

Living on my own, with my pets, with the supports I need! Not facing what I am, being forced into shared accommodation against my will!

# **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: No
* 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?**

No answer recorded

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

No answer recorded

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

Yes

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

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

N/A

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

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

# **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?**

No answer recorded

# **Do you identify as:**

* Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander? Prefer not to say
* From a culturally and linguistically diverse background? Prefer not to say
* Living in a rural and remote area? No
* LGBTIQA? No
* Having a psychosocial disability? No

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

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

No response recorded