**Support for Decision Making consultation submission**

**Name:** Individual 67 (QLD)

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**How do you identify:**

* A NDIS participant: Yes
* A family member, friend or carer of a NDIS participant: No
* A NDIS nominee: No
* A legally appointed guardian: No
* A disability support worker: No
* A health or allied health worker: No
* A community member: No
* Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander: No
* Culturally and linguistically diverse: No
* From a rural or remote area: No
* A person with an intellectual disability: No
* A person with a cognitive impairment: No
* A person with a communication disability: No
* A person with a psychosocial disability: No
* Other: No

1. **How can we help people with disability make decisions for themselves?**

* Resources: Yes
* Information: Yes
* Decision Guides: Yes
* Having a person help: Yes
* Other: No

1. **Who are the best people to help you (or a person with a disability) to make decisions?**

* Family: No
* Friends: Yes
* Peer Support Networks: Yes
* Mentors: Yes
* Coordinators: Yes
* LAC: No
* NDIA Partners: No
* Advocates: Yes
* Service Providers: No
* Other: No

1. **What should they do to help with decision-making?**

Learn the options. Receive training

1. **How can they get better at helping?**

* Getting to know the participant well: Yes
* Doing some training on decision support: Yes
* By having resources and information about providing decision support: No
* Other: No

1. **How can we make sure the right people are helping?**

* They are chosen by the NDIS Participant as a decision supporter: Yes
* They value the rights of people to make decisions with support: Yes
* They are a registered provider: No
* They enable the participant to take risks: No
* Other: No

1. **What should decision supporters know about so they can better help people with disability make decisions?**

* Guidelines for decision supporters: Yes
* Scenarios or Examples: Yes
* Information Sessions: Yes
* Support Networks: Yes
* Other: No

1. **Can you tell us about a time when someone helped you (or a person with disability) to make a big decision?**

Yes

**What worked well?**

Having someone who knew the system and had been through it

**What could have been better?**

Consistency accross the board

1. **What is the best way to support people with disability to make decisions about their NDIS plan?**

* Practice: Yes
* Peer Support Networks: Yes
* Information and Resources: Yes
* Guidance Tools: Yes
* Not Sure: No
* Other: No

1. **Are there different things to consider for people with different disabilities or cultural backgrounds?**

**An intellectual disability:** No

**A disability that impacts how they think, a cognitive impairment:** No

**A psychosocial disability:** Yes, That their mental health affects physical abilities also. They need just as much support as other disabilities do

**A disability that impacts their ability to communicate:** Yes, Disabilities affect more than the actual area of the disability. E.g. Physical disability of legs affects mental health also

**From a CALD community:** No

**From an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Community:** No

**From the LGBTIQA community:** No

1. **How can we help reduce conflict of interest?**

Have a case manager from outside organisations to oversee other areas e.g. Cassie uses Support workers and support coordination from organisation A and so receives case management from organisation B to ensure that org. A is not taking advantage of the participant

1. **How can we help reduce undue influence?**

Check at least once with the participant privately

1. **What are your concerns (if any) around people with disability being more involved in making decisions for themselves?**

Asking people with a disability what they need. Instead of able bodied people or orgs run by able bodied people assuming what people with a disability need or want

1. **What else could we do to help people with disability to make decisions for themselves? Is there anything missing?**

No response recorded

1. **Do you have any feedback on our proposed actions in Appendix C of the paper?**

No response recorded