

26 March 2025

The Children's Expert Advisory Group (CEAG) met for their 6th meeting on Wednesday 26 March 2025. This was an online meeting.

## **Focus of the meeting**

The chair, Ms Tori Stevens, Acting General Manager Children's Strategy and Services, National Disability Insurance Agency (NDIA) welcomed members to their sixth meeting and second of 2025. The meeting focused on design of the new early intervention pathway for children younger than 9 and design principles for reforms to the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) access pathway.

## **Design of the new early intervention pathway for children younger than 9**

The NDIA gave a presentation on the overview of the design process. There was a discussion about the design principles for the pathway and development of a program logic, including consideration of outcomes for children younger than 9 in the NDIS.

## **Design principles for the access pathway**

The NDIA gave a presentation on improving the access pathway for anyone seeking entry to the Scheme. The group discussed:

- improving how the NDIA gathers information to decide if someone meets access to the NDIS
- improving how people experience the access process
- how to support a greater understanding of the access pathway.

## **CEAG Next Meeting**

CEAG will meet again on 22 May 2025 online.

The next meeting will focus on discussions around design of best practice, evidence based early intervention supports and outcomes.

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