The NDIA established the Rural and Remote Advisory Group in May 2025.

The purpose of the Rural and Remote Advisory Group is to provide advice and expertise to support Scheme reforms and address systemic issues relating to rural and remote delivery of the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS).

Membership

Membership to the group is intended to reflect the diversity of rural and remote regions and communities.

Current members:

- Susan Olson – South Australian Council on Intellectual Disability
- Felicity Crowther – South Australian Council on Intellectual Disability
- Nick Avery – Every Australian Counts
- Jacqueline Costanzo – South Australian Government
- Andrew Vodic – NDIS Independent Advisory Council
- Vaughn Bennison – NDIS Independent Advisory Council
- Hayley Stone – Deafness Forum Australia
- Katie Franich – Queensland Aboriginal and Islander Health Council
- Tracey Martell – Public Advocate Queensland
- Serena Stirling – Department of Education and Training
- John Gawen – Thamarrurr Development Corporation
- Piria Coleman – Participant Representative
- Andrea Myers – Participant Representative
- Suzanne Gearing – Physical Disability Australia (PDA)

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- 4 August 2026 meeting summary
- 2 June 2026 meeting summary
- 7 April 2026 meeting summary
- 4 February 2026 meeting summary

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