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Public consultation on the new framework planning rules is now open.

These rules will guide how the new way of planning works. The Department of Health, Disability and Ageing (DHDA) is leading this work with the NDIA, state and territory governments and the disability sector.

New framework planning is about making planning simpler, fairer and more consistent. It focuses on individual needs, not diagnoses, and will help set more flexible budgets that work better for participants.

Participants, families, carers and the broader disability community can share their views until 6 March 2026 on the [DHDA consultation page](#).

New framework planning is expected to start from mid-2026 and roll out gradually over several years.

Current plans and supports will stay the same until participants move to the new process.

To learn more about new framework planning, read our [news item](#).

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