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The NDIS is one of Australia's most important social programs. The NDIS needs to be protected for people with permanent and significant disability and for future generations who will rely on it.

The NDIS plays a critical role in supporting people with permanent and significant disability, but it continues to grow at a far higher rate than any other comparable program. The scale and distorted market structure of the NDIS are too often not providing high quality care to participants themselves.

Costs are continuing to rise rapidly, driven by plan inflation and weaknesses in how the system currently operates. If left unchecked, this puts the long-term sustainability of the NDIS – and its ability to support future generations – at risk.

The Government has today announced its plan to secure the future of the NDIS.

This will be delivered through 4 pillars:

- fighting fraud and stopping rorts
- slowing rapid costs increases
- clearer eligibility requirements
- delivering quality services and support to participants.

The Government will introduce the National Disability Insurance Scheme Amendment (Securing the NDIS for Future Generations) Bill following the release of the 2026-27 Budget.

Until the Bill passes Parliament, current NDIS eligibility and planning policies will remain in place.

Participants should continue to access their disability-related supports and services as outlined in their existing NDIS plans.

These changes build on work underway to implement critical recommendations of the Independent Review into the NDIS and the Royal Commission into Violence, Abuse, Neglect and Exploitation of People with Disability.

Further reforms will still be needed to the NDIS so it can support people with a disability and their families and continue to transform their lives.

The Government is committed to engaging with the disability community and states and territories on longer-term reforms.

Further information on the changes announced today: Securing the NDIS for future generations
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Delay to new framework planning rollout

New framework planning will deliver more equitable and consistent participant budgets through a new support needs assessment process and budget method.

Following consultation with people with disability and their families, carers and advocates, the rollout of new framework planning will be delayed until 1 April 2027.

This will allow more time to listen to feedback, test proposed rules and processes, and share more detailed information about the transition.

Further information:

- Securing the NDIS for future generations factsheet
- Securing the future of the NDIS for future generations Minister's media release .

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