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NDIA’s Statement of Commitment to Closing the Gap

As part of our ongoing commitment to delivering a culturally safe NDIS for First Nations people, we have released the NDIA Statement of Commitment to Closing the Gap.

The National Agreement on Closing the Gap was developed in partnership between Australian Governments and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peak organisations.

The Statement of Commitment sets out how the NDIA will ensure First Nations people with disability can access the right supports to build independence and shape the life they want.

With support from the NDIA Board, the Statement drives how the Agency includes and creates a culturally safe NDIS for First Nations people with disability.

At the NDIA, Closing the Gap is everyone's responsibility.

- Statement of Commitment to Closing the Gap (PDF 5.48 MB)
- Statement of Commitment to Closing the Gap (DOCX 1.66 MB)
- NDIA Chair’s endorsement (DOCX 286.25 KB)
- Media Release

First Nations Strategy 2025-2030

The National Disability Insurance Agency (NDIA) is committed to an equitable Australia for First Nations people with disability.

The NDIS First Nations Strategy 2025-2030 sets out what we will do to improve outcomes for First Nations participants, their families, carers and communities.

It will guide our actions to make the NDIS more equitable, culturally safe, community-centred and coordinated for First Nations people.

The First Nations Strategy embeds the knowledge and experiences of First Nations people and reflects First Nations concepts of disability and wellbeing.

View the Strategy in Auslan

Transcript for 'First Nations Strategy Auslan'

Listen to the Strategy in language

- Plain English
- Kimberley Kriol
- Ngaanyatjarra
- Pintupi/Pintupi-Luritja
- Warlpiri
- Wik Mungkan
- Yumplatok

Developing the NDIS First Nations Strategy

We heard from First Nations people that it was important for the NDIA to listen.

Over the last 10 years, First Nations people with disability, their families, advocates and communities have shared their knowledge, experiences and aspirations with us directly.

First Nations people have also shared their experiences at government enquiries like the Royal Commission into the Neglect and Abuse of People with Disability (Disability Royal Commission) and NDIS Review.

We listened to these voices, experiences and aspirations to develop the First Nations Strategy.

Strategic Priorities

The First Nations Strategy identifies 4 priority areas for action.

Fair and equitable access and support

Making the NDIS pathway more equitable and culturally safe for First Nations people.

NDIS ‘our way’ – transformation for power-sharing

Building First Nations governance into the NDIA’s decision-making, co-design and operations.

Working together within and across sectors

Building better systems within the NDIS and across sectors, to deliver a better journey and outcomes for First Nations participants.

Gathering, sharing and revisiting knowledge about meaningful change

Tracking change in the experiences and outcomes of First Nations participants and using these learnings to continue improving.

Strategy Implementation Plan

We will work with First Nations people and communities to make a plan to put the Strategy into action.

This is called the implementation plan.

We will focus on culturally safe, sustainable, and place-based approaches that reflect the voices and leadership of communities.

If you have any questions you can email us at FIRSTNATIONSSTRATEGY@ndis.gov.au

First Nations Strategy Documents

Download the full First Nations Strategy

- First Nations Strategy 2025-2030 (PDF 5.8MB)
- First Nations Strategy 2025-2030 (DOCX 3.1KB)

Download the First Nations Strategy Easy Read

- First Nations Strategy 2025-2030 Easy Read (PDF 7.7 MB)
- First Nations Strategy 2025-2030 Easy Read (DOCX 64KB)

Download the First Nations Strategy Summary

- First Nations Strategy 2025-2030 Summary (PDF 340KB)
- First Nations Strategy 2025-2030 Summary (DOCX 1.2MB)

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