The Co-design Advisory Group provides strategic advice to the NDIA on the approach, process and implementation of co-design with the disability community to improve the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS).

Co-design Advisory Group members work together to:

- ensure appropriate disability community representation and expertise is included in co-design initiatives
- build a consensus on the current and emerging priorities for co-design and consultation
- identify emerging opportunities for co-design
- connect with their networks to seek input on co-design processes.

Download our Terms of Reference:

- Co-design Advisory Group Terms of Reference 2025 - PDF 182 KB
- Co-design Advisory Group Terms of Reference 2025 - DOCX 300 KB

Meetings

Co-design Advisory Group meetings are held every two months. You can read notes from past meetings through the following links:

- 16 March 2026
- 12 November 2025
- 2 October 2025
- 8 August 2025
- 23 June 2025
- 4 April 2025
- 12 September 2023
- 8 August 2023
- 13 June 2023
- 1 May 2023
- 14 March 2023
- 14 February 2023
- 12 December 2022
- 11 October 2022
- 13 September 2022
- 10 August 2022

Membership

Membership includes representatives from:

- NDIA Independent Advisory Council (IAC)
- Disability Representative and Carer Organisations
- Department of Health, Disability and Ageing (DHDA)
- NDIA.

Membership was refreshed in March 2025. Current members include:

- Leah Van Poppel, Independent Advisory Council Principal Member
- Dr Leighton Jay, Independent Advisory Council
- Dr Sharon Boyce, Independent Advisory Council
- Sam Paior, Independent Advisory Council
- Skye Kakoschke-Moore, Children and Young People with Disability Australia (CYDA)
- Mary Mallett, Inclusion Australia
- Ross Joyce, Australian Federation of Disability Organisations (AFDO)
- Lara Kissin, National Ethnic Disability Alliance (NEDA)
- Sarah Hawke, Department of Health, Disability and Ageing (DHDA)
- Donna Purcell, NDIA Participant Advocate and Disability Champion
- Susan Moore, Branch Manager, NDIA Co-design and Engagement Division.

Co-design Evaluation

In 2023, the NDIA commissioned an independent review of the NDIA's co-design work, by looking at past projects to understand what co-design had been done, what worked, what did not work, and any lessons for future processes.

The evaluation was led by Clear Horizon, with guidance from the Co-design Advisory Group. Findings were presented to the Co-design Advisory Group in late 2024, with a final report delivered by Clear Horizon in early 2025. This included recommendations around next steps and ideas to strengthen co-design and engagement going forward.

To read the final report and the Agency’s supporting statement, please visit the Co-design Evaluation announcement.

More information

For more information about the Co-design Advisory Group, please email us via codesign@ndis.gov.au.

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