

NDIS Update July 2017

Reviews and Appeals

Family Advocacy launches NDIS Reviews and Appeals Service

Family Advocacy are now providing a free and confidential service to support people with developmental disability and their families who have concerns about their access to the NDIS or the types of supports in their NDIS Plan. Our staff can provide phone advice on:

- how to advocate for your family member if you are not happy and wish to review their NDIS Plan
- how to understand the documentation that has been received from the NDIA
- on whether to proceed to Appeal is the right option.

[Contact us for more information.](#)

[NDIS Review Guide](#)

Appeals update

The Administrative Appeals Tribunal (AAT) has revealed it currently has a turnaround of 13 weeks from the date of an NDIS appeal application. For more information on AAT timeframes and lodgement statistics [click here](#).

Will "reasonable and necessary supports" be wholly or partially funded?

On 28 March 2017, the Federal Court overturned an Administrative Appeals Tribunal (AAT) decision, giving an NDIS participant 100 per cent funding of his reasonable and necessary supports. The AAT had previously determined that 75% was substantial enough. Since then, the NDIA has announced that it will appeal the [Federal Court decision](#). We will keep you updated. Watch this space!