

NDIS Provider and Worker Registration Taskforce Advice Fact Sheet: Self-directed supports

What did the Taskforce recommend for participants with self-directed supports?

The NDIS Provider and Worker Registration Taskforce (the Taskforce) recommends:

- A new registration category for participants, their guardians, or legal representatives who selfdirect their own supports known as Service for One/Self-Directed supports. Participants who use self-directed supports will be **required to register** in this new category (Recommendations 3 and 6).
- Participants who are registered as having self-directed supports **are not required to only use registered providers** (**Recommendation 1**), unless they are in a Group Home or the supports fall in the Advanced Registration category, which includes behaviour support and restrictive practices (**see Annexure A**).
- Participants under the Service for One/Self-Directed Support Registration category will be required to have **regular check-ins** with the NDIS Quality and Safeguards Commission **(Recommendation 8)**.
- Service for One/Self-Directed supports will be subject to review and auditing processes (Recommendation 6).
- The Australian Government should **invest in peer support and capacity building programs to engage in the NDIS regulatory framework**, including participants who self-direct their supports (**Recommendation 7**).

What did the Taskforce say should happen next?

Design and consultation

The Taskforce recommends consultation with the disability sector to determine the best way to achieve the recommendations. This includes consultation and co-design on the registration process for self-directed supports and the check-in requirements with the NDIS Quality and Safeguards Commission.

It is important to note that the Taskforce recommendations are currently being considered by the Government. It will take time to develop and implement these changes.

Consultation opportunities on a new registration model will be communicated by the Department of Social Services and the NDIS Quality and Safeguards Commission. You may wish to subscribe to receive updates on the NDIS reforms at the <u>Department of Social Services website</u>.

You can read the Taskforce Advice at the <u>Department of Social Services</u>, NDIS Provider and Worker Registration Taskforce website.