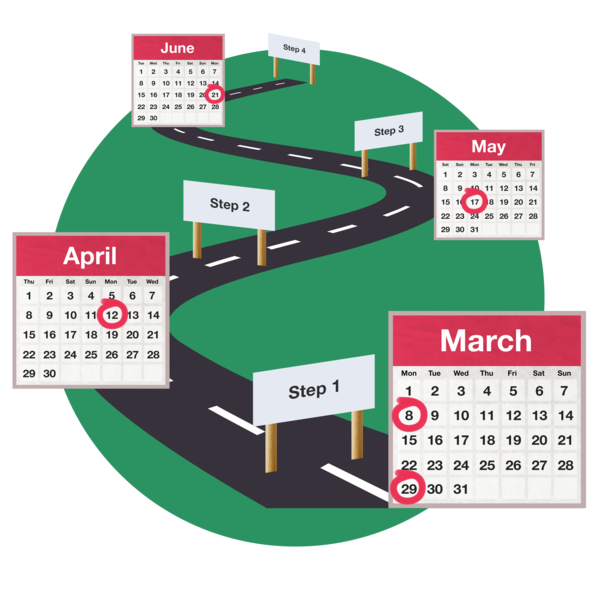
Disability Reform Roadmap

2024 to 2025



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| Teal icon of parliament house | The Australian Government wrote this with state and territory governments.  When you see the word **we** it means   * The Australian Government * State and territory governments. |
| A person holding a white book with easy read on the cover | We wrote this in an easy to read way.  We use pictures to explain some ideas. |
| The word bold is in bold and the words not bold are in plain text | We have some words in **bold**.  This means the letters are thicker and darker.  These are important words. |
| An easy read document with pictures and lines for text. | This is an Easy Read summary of another document.  This means it has the most important ideas. |
| computer mouse clicking in teal | You can look at the other document on our website.  [www.dss.gov.au/disability-and-carers/disability-reform-roadmap](https://www.dss.gov.au/disability-and-carers/disability-reform-roadmap) |
| Two people with their arms around each other with thumbs up. | You can ask for help to read this document.  You can ask   * A friend * Family members * A support person. |
| cartoon of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people with the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander flags in the background | We recognise Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people as the **Traditional Owners** of the land we live on. |
| teal map of australia | They were the **first people** to live on and use the   * Land * Waters. |

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About our roadmap

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| icon of parliament house in teal | We wrote this document with   * The Australian Government * State and territory governments. |
| person in yellow top with thumbs up holding paper | The **Disability Reform Roadmap** says what we are doing to make Australia   * **Safer** for people with disability |
| people posing for a photo | * **Inclusive**   Inclusive is when everyone   * Can **take part** * Feel like they **belong**. |
| a person in a wheelchair in front of a ramp, stopwatch and easy read document | * **Accessible.**   Accessible means everyone can use it. |
| image of a road with step 1 to step 4 and calendars on the side | We call it the **roadmap** for short. |

## Our goals

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| calendar showing 2024 and arrow pointing to 2025 | The roadmap talks about our goals for   * 2024 * 2025.   Goals are ideas to make things better. |
| 2 people with a thought bubble above their heads | To make the roadmap we listened to ideas from lots of people. |
| blue background with white number 4 | The roadmap has 4 goals. |
| people posing for a photo in front of a tree and house | 1. Create an **inclusive** and **accessible** community.   This means everyone can **be part** of the community. |
| an office building, group of people in a workplace and a building with shops | Inclusive and accessible communities could be   * A business * Workplace * Shops. |
| A group of people in white t-shirts giving thumbs up | 1. Support the **rights** of people with disability.   Rights are **rules** about treating everyone   * Fair * Equal. |
| a person with a thought bubble with thumbs up and thumbs down | This can be the right for people to   * Make their own decisions. * Take part in making decisions about their life. |
| a person in a wheelchair shaking hands with a person | We know people have different ideas.  We want to respect different ideas. |
| a person with thumbs up | 1. Provide **good supports** and **services.** |
| a group of people posing for a photo | We want people with disability to **have supports** and **services** that   * Are **safe** * **Work well**. |
| a group of people with disability posing for a photo | We want to help create services that anyone with disability can find and use.  This includes   * NDIS services * Other services. |
| 2 people shaking hands | 1. Build **trust** with the disability community. |
| a person with an envelope and a speech bubble saying help please | We want people with disability to trust that they can use the supports they need   * Now * In the future. |
| 3 people sitting in front of a stop watch | We want these services to work well for people with disability. |

## How we will work with the disability community

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| a group of people talking with speech bubbles above their heads | We will work with the disability community. |
| a group of people with disability posing for a photo | People in the disability community could be   * People with disability |
| a family sitting on a chair | * Families and carers |
| a group of people sitting at tables and a person standing with a microphone | * Disability organisations |
| a person holding a megaphone to their mouth | * People who speak up for people with disability. |
| a person showing another person a piece of paper | We want to ask the disability community to   * Share their ideas * Take part in activities. |
| a person holding up their finger and a lightbulb above their head | This might be   * **Sharing ideas** about new NDIS rules |
| groups of people with purple speech bubbles | * Being part of **workshops**   Workshops are a meeting with a group of people to talk about an idea. |
| a group of people sitting on a picnic rug | * **Community events**   Community events are activities to bring people together in a community. |
| a person sitting at a computer with a survey on the screen | * **Surveys** online   Surveys are questions that you can tell us your ideas. |
| a booklet | We will put all the information in our **newsletter**. |
| a computer mouse clicking in teal | If you would like to get our newsletter you can go to our **website**.  [www.dss.gov.au/subscription-ndis-reforms](https://notify.dss.gov.au/subscription-ndis-reforms) |
| the NDIS logo | We will work with the National Disability Insurance Agency to help **disability services** improve. |

## Disability Royal Commission

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| the DRC logo | The Disability Royal Commission looked at how people with disability are treated.  We call it DRC for short. |
| a person holding a red cross and thumbs down next to a person holding a green tick with thumbs up | It helped the Australian Government find out what   * Went wrong * We need to do better. |
| a group of people leaning over a table with paper on it | The DRC had ideas to make things better for people with disability.  These ideas are called recommendations. |
| calendar of  2024 | We shared what we think about the DRC recommendations in July 2024. |
| 2 people standing next to a board with 1, 2 ,3 with green ticks next to each number | We said what we want to do about the recommendations. |
| a group of people talking with speech bubbles above their heads | We will work with the disability community to do this work. |
| calendar with 2025 | We will let you know how we are going in   * June 2025 * December 2025. |

NDIS Review

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| the NDIS logo  The NDIS review logo | All governments did a **review** of the National Disability Insurance Scheme.  We call it the NDIS Review.  The NDIS Review **looked at** what   * Works well * Needs to **change**.   The NDIS Review made recommendations to all governments. |
| a group of people shaking hands | Disability **Ministers** are looking at the recommendations from the NDIS Review.  Ministers are leaders in an area of the government. |
| calendar of  2024 | We will share what we think about the recommendations in December 2024. |
| a group of people pointing to a table with a plan and calendar of 2025 | We will start making plans to make changes from the recommendations in 2025. |
| a group of people talking with speech bubbles above their heads | We will work with the disability community to do this. |

NDIS rules and laws

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| a book with rules on the front and a green tick and red cross | The **NDIS Act** is the **law** that says how the NDIS should work.  Laws are **rules** for how   * We live * Things should work. |
| the NDIS logo and a green tick | We have changed this law to make the NDIS work better. |
| Calendar with 3 October | The new law started on 3 October 2024.  Some changes will **not** happen right away. |
| A person standing next to a page with green ticks with thumbs up | The new law will help make the NDIS work better. |

Temporary Section 10

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| calendar with red top showing October 3 | 1 of the new laws is called **temporary** Section 10.  It started on 3 October 2024.  Temporary means it only lasts for a certain time. |
| A man and a woman standing on either side of a large stopwatch.  a book with rules on the front and a green tick and red cross | It might also be called Section 10 **transitional** rule.  Transitional **also** means temporary.  This means all governments are working together on a **permanent** law in the future.  Permanent means it will last for a long time. |
| a group of people talking with speech bubbles above their heads | We will work with the disability community on this permanent law. |
| Elderly person holding a piece of paper with a numbered list. | Temporary Section 10 has a new list of NDIS Supports. |
| a person standing next to a board with green ticks smiling with thumbs up | NDIS supports says what you   * **Can** |
| a person standing next to a baord with crosses and thumbs down | * Can **not**   Spend your NDIS money on.  You can only use your NDIS money to buy NDIS supports. |

Section 33

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| calendar with red top saying October 9 | The second part of the new law started on 9 October 2024.  We call it Section 33. |
| 1 person sitting on a chair and 2 people standing in a bubble | This law has new rules for NDIS **budgets**.  Budgets means how much money you get. |
| money fanned out with a calendar and clock underneath with a question mark | When you do your new NDIS plan it will say   * How much money you will have in total * How long you have to spend it. |

NDIS Bill 2

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| a group of people leaning over a table with a piece of paper on it | We want to keep making the NDIS better.  We will work on more new laws with the disability community.  The next 1 will be called NDIS Bill 2. |
| a group of people talking with speech bubbles above their heads | We will work with the disability community to do this work in   * 2024 * 2025. |

Foundational Supports Strategy

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| a group of people leaning over a table with paper on it  Group of five diverse individuals with disabilities smiling and standing together.  Woman with glasses holding a shopping basket and wearing a blue arm cast.  Two men in business attire filling out a form together at a wooden table. | We will work together to create a plan called **Foundational Supports Strategy**.  We call it the Strategy.  Foundational supports are supports that are for all people with disability.  They could be things like   * **Capacity building** * Learning decision making skills * **Peer support**.   Capacity building is learning new skills to help you do more for yourself.  Peer support is when people with disability get together to give each other support and advice. |
| a group of people posing for a photo | Some supports are for   * People who use the NDIS * Others who do **not** get the NDIS. |
| calendar of 2025 | People with disability may be able to use these supports from 2025. |
| a group of people talking with speech bubbles above their heads | We will work with the disability community to do this work. |

Australia’s Disability Strategy

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| Australia's Disability Strategy 2021-2031, Creating an inclusive community together logo. | The government set up Australia’s Disability Strategy.  We call it ADS for short. |
| group of poeple talking together with speech bubbles above their heads | ADS is the governments way of working together to support people with disability to live good lives.  They do this by working with   * People with disability * The community.   This makes the community a more welcoming place for everyone. |
| a person looking through a magnifying glass | We did a review of ADS to find out what   * Works well * Needs to change. |
| a group of people looking at a plan | All governments are checking their disability inclusion plans between 2024 and 2025. |
| 2 people shaking hands with a plan behind them with a green tick | They will make sure the plans have the ADS goals. |
| calendar of 2025 | We will check more of the ADS in 2025. |
| a group of people talking with speech bubbles above their heads | We will work with the disability community to do this work. |
| calendar of 2026 | In 2026 we will share reports about what we have   * Done * Found * Will do next. |

## Contact us

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| teal circle with white i in the middle | You can contact us if you **need more information.** |
| teal envelope | You can send us an email.  [enquiries@dss.gov.au](mailto:enquiries@dss.gov.au) |
| aqua phone on teal background | You can call us.  **1300 653 227**  You can call us   * Monday to Friday * 8.30am to 5.00pm |

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