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Due Date	5 July 2012	
Critical Date	9 July 2012	
Consultation	Media	No
	Group Manager	Yes
	Deputy Secretary	No
	State Manager	No

**To the Minister for Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs
and Minister for Disability Reform**

For decision

Subject: Process regarding state and territory expressions of interest on involvement in the first stage of an NDIS**Critical Date:** 9 July 2012 so as to provide timely advice to state governments ahead of the 16 July deadline for expressions of interest for the first stage.**Purpose:**

To brief you on a process for receipt and consideration of state and territory expressions of interest (EOI) on the first stage of an NDIS and a proposed approach for the Government reaching decisions on launch sites based on EOIs received.

Issue:

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Proposal

The Taskforce will inform jurisdictions who have requested an extension to the deadline for EOIs that it can be granted, but emphasise the Commonwealth's preference that launch sites be announced at the July COAG meeting and will require the necessary time for consideration by the Commonwealth ahead of 25 July.

The Taskforce will assess the bids received, in accordance with the Commonwealth's criteria and other information circulated to jurisdictions and seek any further information required for the assessment of these bids. We will provide you with our assessment and recommendations of those EOIs received by 20 July 2012 and inform you if any further EOIs are expected after this date.

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The Taskforce has recently provided your office with a recommended communication strategy for the announcement of the launch locations. We will shortly provide you with further briefing on this issue, including managing risks.

Media Release: Not applicable

Recommendations:

- 1. Note the update on State and Territory's Expressions of Interest on the first stage and the process for advising you about these Expressions of Interest.

Noted / Please Discuss

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