



NDIS rules engagement summary

Variation and reassessment rules

DSS March 2025



Engagement with the disability community

The NDIA held engagement sessions on the Variation and reassessment rule. They listened to participants, nominees, child representatives. They also heard from members of disability representative and carer organisations. The sessions ran from July to September 2024.

The sessions covered:

- how the NDIA makes decisions about managing funding in a participant's plan
- supports and safeguards to reduce the risk of inappropriate spending
- any risk of harm related to a participant's circumstances.

DSS and the NDIA held 10 consultation sessions about plan variations and reassessments. We held these sessions from 11 to 25 November 2024. The sessions focused on the purpose of the new rules and how we will use them.

Stakeholders we consulted with included members from:

- NDIS Independent Advisory Council
- Disability Representative and Carer Organisations
- Implementation Steering Committee
- Participant Safeguarding co-design Group
- Participant Reference Group
- National Mental Health Sector Reference Group
- Assessment and Budgeting Working Group
- First Nations stakeholders
- Integrity Working Group
- Neurodegenerative, Palliative Care and Rare Diseases Advisory Group.

We also consulted with state and territory governments through the Disability Reform Ministerial Council.

We used this feedback to shape the new rules and how the NDIA will use them.

Read more about the [NDIA's consultation and co-design work](#) (Opens external website).