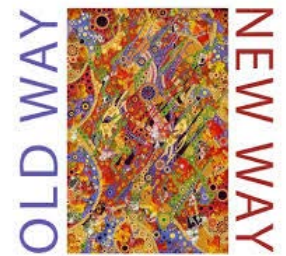


The National Disability Insurance Scheme: Report from the Hunter launch site and organisational readiness across NSW

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DisabilityCare Australia (NDIS)

- Commenced in NSW on 1 July 2013
- People living with psychosocial disability (PSD) and MH programs are included
- NSW launch site (Hunter) – 10K people over 3 years 2013 to 2016
- Full roll out from 2016 to 2018 (19K people with MH issues in NSW)
- **MHCC DCA/NDIS MH ‘Analyst’** role in launch site – funded by NSW Mental Health Commission
 - 6 months (July to December)
 - 2 days a week



What will this new way of delivering services look like?

Eligibility (DCA presentation to HMH Interagency Meeting, July)

- Is the person's condition permanent or likely to be permanent i.e. are there any known ... medical treatments that would remedy it?
- Is there any future treatment planned? If yes, please provide details of the expected outcome of the treatment.
- Is this condition likely to have a significant impact on the person's functional capacity for the rest of their life?
- What is the functional impact of the condition on the following areas of the person's life: communication/social interaction; learning; mobility; self-care, self-management?

Assessment Tool/s

Support Needs Scale

1. Home Living activities
2. Community Living Activities
3. Lifelong Learning Activities
4. Employment Activities
5. Health and Safety Activities
6. Social Activities



The image shows a form titled "Supports Intensity Scale Interview and Profile Form". The form is designed for data collection and includes several sections: a header with the title and subtitle "Interview and Profile Form", a section for "Personal Information" with fields for name, address, and contact details, a section for "Supports Intensity Scale" with a grid for recording scores, and a section for "Comments" at the bottom. The form is branded with the "AMR" logo.

Supplemental Protection and Advocacy Scale

Exceptional Medical and Behavioural Support Needs

Launch Site Activity to Date

- Understanding what DCA is and how it will work
 - 360 new referrals in first week
 - 220 registered organisations in first month
- Learning from MHCC members, consumers and carers in launch site (sector capacity building and WFD needs)
- Liaison with the HNELHD and HNEMH
- Tracking referrals to DCA
- Collaborating with NSW NDS
 - \$17M Industry Development Fund
 - Sector Reform Roadmap and Self Assessment Toolkit
- Exploring the very important interface between DCA and the new 'Partners in Recovery' program
- Reconciling 'permanent disability' with the philosophy and practice PSD rehabilitation and & recovery support





Happy 1st
Birthday!

“ ... we are yet to really see the NDIS land on the ground for mental health consumers and we've really got to see how services will work together

.... ” Mr Bradley Foxlewin, Deputy MH Commissioner (3/7/13 Media Release)

