



The Hon Stuart Robert MP
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\$5.7M INVESTMENT BUILDS NDIS PROVIDER CAPACITY

Minister for the National Disability Insurance Scheme, Stuart Robert, today announced ten (10) organisations will receive a share of \$5.7 million to develop practical tools and resources to help NDIS providers meet their important regulatory requirements.

These grants are the first under the NDIS Quality and Safeguards Commission's new four-year \$17.6 million investment in building capacity amongst NDIS providers.

'With over 7,000 current NDIS providers and nearly 120,000 current participants in NSW and South Australia, the Government wants to make sure the organisations – some of which are small and regionally located – have the resources to best support people with disability, Minister Robert said.

'When the NDIS Quality and Safeguards Commission expands into Victoria, Queensland, Tasmania, ACT and Northern Territory in July, the number of providers subject to the new national quality and safeguarding framework will also increase significantly.

'The NDIS requires a robust provider network that can support people with disability wherever they live and whatever their needs, which is why the Government is providing this funding.

'What is so great about this program is the tools and resources they develop will be informed by experts in the industry and with insights of providers and participants and will be available to all NDIS providers across the country.'

Resources that will be developed include:

- A free, national online education and community portal for providers and participants
- Resources specifically for providers including allied health professionals, those delivering specialist disability accommodation and those supporting people with psychosocial and intellectual disabilities and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander NDIS participants.

The Support for NDIS Providers Program is administered by the NDIS Quality and Safeguards Commission, the independent Commonwealth agency responsible for improving the quality and safety of NDIS supports and services. For more information about the Commission and the grants, please visit:

www.ndiscommission.gov.au

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Attachment:**Successful recipients, NDIS Commission 2018-19 Support for NDIS Providers program**

Recipient	Location	Funding description	Amount \$ (GST Exc)
Allied Health Profession Australia Ltd	Melbourne, VIC	Support for allied health professionals to undertake registration with the NDIS	\$500,000
Amergin Pty Ltd	Paddington, QLD	Online education and capacity building for NDIS providers.	\$741,796
Cullunghutti Aboriginal and Family Centre Inc.	South Nowra, NSW	Our Story, Our Journey: Supporting Aboriginal Services to become NDIS Providers.	\$396,918
La Trobe University	Bundoora, VIC	Resources for Delivering and Monitoring Quality of Evidence Informed Practice.	\$750,000
Mental Health Coordinating Council Ltd	Lilyfield, NSW	Forum and webinars on Quality Assurance for providers supporting people with psychosocial disability.	\$629,000
National Disability Services Limited	Deakin, ACT	'Conversations and Collaborations' project, including workshops and materials for Communities of Practice, Restrictive Practices, Code of Conduct and Quality Assurance.	\$750,000
Parkinson's NSW Limited	North Ryde, NSW	Instructional Program and Resource Pack for providers and boards to meet Quality Assurance.	\$396,600
Summer Foundation Ltd	Box Hill, VIC	Specialist Disability Accommodation quality and safeguards education, training and capacity building.	\$481,701
The New South Wales Council for Intellectual Disability	Surry Hills, NSW	Develop and present resources and workshops for people with intellectual disability.	\$400,000
The Northcott Society	North Parramatta, NSW	Best-in-Class: A practice framework for High Intensity Daily Personal Activities.	\$674,550