



Legislative Council
Standing Committee on Social Issues

**Inquiry into services provided or funded by the
Department of Ageing, Disability and Home Care**

The Chair of the Standing Committee on Social Issues Committee, the Hon Ian West MLC, has announced the commencement of an inquiry into services provided or funded by the Department of Ageing, Disability and Home Care (ADHC).

Mr West said, "The inquiry was referred to the Committee by the Legislative Council on 24 June 2010 and will examine the quality, effectiveness and delivery of services provided or funded by ADHC."

Mr West continued, "We want to look at the extent of the unmet need for disability services and whether there are regional or other variations in the capacity and quality of disability services and providers". A full copy of the terms of reference is attached.

The Committee is inviting people to make a submission to the inquiry by Friday, 6 August 2010. Public hearings will be conducted on the following dates:

- Monday 9 August 2010
- Tuesday 10 August 2010
- Monday 16 August 2010
- Tuesday 17 August 2010.

Mr West, on behalf of the Committee, said, "I'd like to encourage all interested people and organisations to contribute to this important inquiry. We particularly welcome participation from people with disability. Auslan interpreters and hearing loop facilities will be available at all hearings. Several committee documents will be available in Braille and MP3 conversion is also available."

The Committee is due to report by 30 September 2010.

For further information about the Inquiry, including how to make a submission and copies of the terms of reference, either visit the NSW Parliament website at www.parliament.nsw.gov.au/socialissues, or contact the Committee secretariat on (02) 9230 3504 or (02) 9230 3367.

For further comment please contact the Hon Ian West MLC,

Committee Chair, on 9230 2052