

**INQUIRY INTO TRANSITION SUPPORT FOR STUDENTS
WITH ADDITIONAL OR COMPLEX NEEDS AND THEIR
FAMILIES**

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The NSW Legislative Council's Standing Committee on Social Issues

Dear Committee,

Thank you for providing me with the opportunity to make a submission to your Inquiry into transition support for students with additional and complex needs and their families.

I believe that the following issues need to be addressed in order to ensure seamless and streamlined assistance during transitions:

1. The shortage of qualified special educators in NSW;
2. Preparation of special educators to provide support for transition planning;
3. Teaching functional skills for next environment very early with this population;
4. Allowing students with additional and complex needs to fully participate in planning their future;
5. Giving bigger space to teaching these students self-determination skills.

Kind regards,
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