

**Submission  
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**INQUIRY INTO IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NATIONAL  
DISABILITY INSURANCE SCHEME AND THE PROVISION  
OF DISABILITY SERVICES IN NEW SOUTH WALES**

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My submission will be brief as it addresses the discrimination of those who were over 65 when NDIS rolled out in their area. My area only rolled out in July this year, I turned 66 six weeks to early to be included. I am disabled, I live as a paraplegic. I come under the umbrella of Age care which does not suit my needs at all. I do not need care as I can manage showers and personal care. However what I do need is equipment. This comes for me from Enable but is means tested. NDIS is not means tested so why should I be. Home help under NDIS gives money to choose who you like... Age care sends cleaners who just mop and Hoover, they do not do the jobs I need. I could continue to compare the two systems but I am sure you know the differences.. I believe that if you are disabled you should be covered by NDIS regardless of age. If you look at three disabled people, one covered by Icare, one covered by NDIS and one covered by Age care you will see the unfairness of the entire system. Age care is not anywhere close to what is needed by a disabled person. I feel discriminated against being excluded from NDIS.. this needs to change. Especially as I believe the those who turn 65 while covered by NDIS can remain covered by them .. this leaves a group of us out in the cold covered by an unsuitable Age care programme..