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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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I write to express my concerns that the NDIA in NSW may require disability support workers to be working towards a Certificate IV or equivalent qualification. As a nominee for my younger brother (a current NDIS participant) this requirement would be disastrous for his choice and control. Over the years my brother has had many support workers enter and leave his life. Of these, some of the most person-centred, responsible, capable and diligent support workers did not have such a qualification (and indeed would not consider working towards such a qualification). I respect that others may make a personal decision to require a Cert IV however this must not be mandatory for all participants as it removes choice and control. Appropriate checks and training can be covered off without recourse to such an onerous requirement. I would be happy to be contacted to discuss these matters further and will continue to advocate for choice and control for my brother - and for all NDIS participants.