

**Submission  
No 320**

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

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Under current NDIS Legislation, Services in the Disability sector can employ staff without Qualifications and/or experience. The legislation only requires Services to regard new employees to be competent and have a knowledge and understanding of the Standards. It does state competency in what, or to how high a standard they do actually understand the Disability Standards. I have, in my experience under many roles, specifically a Trainer and Assessor, had much feedback from participants, staff, families and students as well as the general community regarding their concerns over this matter, given that participants are in one of the vulnerable groups in our society, there has already been too many horrific accounts of abuses, and in no other community service are employees allowed to be un-qualified!