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

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The NDIS for me personally has been fantastic, I was able to select my support workers from my caring agency which is My first NDIA planner wasn't prepared for example his laptop wasn't working properly, when he was talking with myself and family he was chewing gum which I thought inapporate, when your a person who is deaf and hearing impaired it is very hard to lip read what the person is trying to say. The NDIA planner(male)wrote down some wrong things which I later had to correct and explain to other people who support me. The second time he came back he was chewing gum again which I was pretty rude, I didn't say anything but I did contact the agency to make them aware that it is not easy if you are deaf/hearing impaired to able to have a conversation about what you need from NDIS. Before I become an NDIS client I had 3 different NDIS office places ring me for my details, then the 3rd one started asking about my disabilities and that did not impress my mum-she asked for a form to be sent, we then fill it in and sent it in and then I waited for my name to come up. I tried to make appointment with the NDIS planner in there office as my parents live 45 minutes away and I live on my own in the North of Adelaide. I wasn't impressed with one of the receptionist as she suggested I couldn't remember what we talked about several months before I received my first plan. The NDIS has been a reasurrance for both of my parents as they know while they are living there lives I am living mine with additional supports.