Planned reforms to the NDIS scheme - Letter 2021

Sent May 2021 - With the planned reforms to the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) causing widespread concern, Dietitians Australia wrote to the Hon Bill Shorten MP, Shadow Minister for the NDIS, requesting a meeting to discuss how the reforms would affect nutritionally vulnerable individuals.

Letter excerpt

Dietitians Australia is concerned that the introduction of independent assessments, in their current form, will make it more difficult for nutritionally vulnerable individuals to access the scheme and the supports and services they need to achieve their goals.

Alarmingly, the independent assessments provide inadequate assessment of food and nutrition habits and dietitians assessments would be excluded from the process. This means that nutritionally vulnerable individuals, such as those at risk of malnutrition or swallowing disorders, will not be adequately identified at a critical access point to the scheme.

For more read the full letter.

Get in touch

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