

KEY ISSUES AFFECTING PEOPLE WITH MND IN THE 2022 FEDERAL ELECTION

Issue 2: Ensure the NDIS is not weakened



Motor neurone disease (MND) is a rapidly progressing neurological condition which can take away a person's ability to walk, move, speak, swallow and eventually breathe. Life expectancy is only 2.5 years.

Around half of people diagnosed with MND are under 65 and rely on the NDIS for their disability care and services. During the course of the disease, people have complex and rapidly progressive needs.

Many NDIS participants living with MND have plans that are having positive, life-changing impacts; many others, however, continue to experience a protracted planning process and struggle to receive plans that meet their changing needs.

It is imperative that the NDIS continues to be fully funded and further strengthened. We're calling for a commitment that:

- Ensures the NDIS is not weakened as is likely as a consequence of the National Disability Insurance Scheme Amendment
- Maintains its person-centred focus including ensuring: it is fit for purpose, participant choice and control continues, access to funded services, and a timely planning process with plans that take into account rapid progression of MND.

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