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# Emails – May 2014

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1-4	12/05/2014	Email – Parent Sessions Questions + attachment	Not released	Information is outside the scope of the request
5-8	14/08/2014	Email chain – ACT Market Soundings for Early Intervention	Full release	
9-17	07/05/2014	Letter – re: Engagement for early intervention market sounding support	Exempt in full	S 43, FOI Act 1989
18	13/05/2014	Email – NDIS communications	Not released	Information is outside the scope of the request
19-20	14/05/2014	Email chain – re: Market sounding – therapy services	Full release	
21-22	29/05/2014	Email chain – re: Draft interview guides	Partial release	S 41, FOI Act 1989
23	14/05/2014	Email – re: 7 Possible forum participants	Full release	
24-25	14/05/2014	Email chain – re: ACT market soundings (early intervention). Revised engagement letter	Full release	
26-27	14/05/2014	Email chain – re: El therapy Forum	Full release	
28	14/05/2014	Email chain – re: Proposed dates	Full release	
29-30	16/05/2014	Email chain – re: Text for the invite	Full release	
31	16/05/2014	Email chain – re: forum	Full release	·
32-33	16/05/2014	Email chain – re: ACT Early intervention – KPMG support	Partial release	S 43, FOI Act 1989 S 41, FOI Act 1989
34-41	14/05/2014	Letter – re: Variation of the terms of engagement for market surroundings support for Disability ACT	Exempt in full	S 43, FOI Act 1989

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42-48	14/10/2013	Letter – re: Engagement for Market sounding support	Not released	Information is outside the scope of the request
49-56	01/07/2013	KPMG Terms and Conditions of Business	Exempt in full	S 43, FOI Act 1989
54-58	18/05/2014	Email chain – re: to Senior Director: Ms Meredith Whitten re: implementation of the NDIS and Early Intervention & attachment	Partial release	S 41, FOI Act 1989
59-67	Undated	Letter	Exempt in full	S 41, FOI Act 1989
68-70	16/05/2014	Email chain – re: Text for the invite + attachment	Full release	
71-72	16/05/2014	Email chain – re: Text for the invite	Full release	·
73-74	16/05/2014	Email chain – re: Therapy ACT forum for the website	Full release	
75-76	17/05/2014	Email chain – re: Therapy ACT forum for the website	Full release	
77-79	19/05/2014	Email chain – re: June 2 Forum – Therapy in the ACT	Full release	
80-81	19/05/2014	Email chain – re: June 2 Forum – Therapy in the ACT	Full release	
82-84	19/05/2014	Email chain – re: Text for the invite	Full release	
85-86	19/05/2014	Email – Meeting –support for early intervention	Full release	
87-104	19/05/2014	Email chain – re: Engagement for Early Intervention Market Sounding + attachment	Partial release	S 36, FOI Act 1989
105-106	16/05/2014	Email – re: Therapy forum invitation + attachment	Full release	
107-124	19/05/2014	Email chain – re: Engagement for Early Intervention Market Sounding + attachment	Partial release	S 36, FOI Act 1989
125-143	19/05/2014	Email chain – re: Engagement for Early Intervention Market Sounding + attachment	Full release	
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149-150 1 151 U 152-154 1	19/05/2014 19/05/2014 Undated 19/05/2014	Email chain –Meeting – Market sounding support for early intervention + factsheet  Email chain – re: Meeting – Market sounding support for early intervention  Backgrounder: Demographics – Clients	Full release Full release	
151 U	Undated	support for early intervention	Full release	
152-154		Backgrounder: Demographics – Clients	1	
	19/05/2014		Full release	
155-157		Email chain – re: Therapy ACT forum for the website	Full release	
	19/05/2014	Email chain – re: Draft media release for therapy forum	Partial release	S 36, FOI Act 1989
158	19/05/2014	Email – re: NDIS Community Forum – Therapy in the ACT	Full release	
159-161	19/05/2014	Email chain – re: Draft media release for therapy forum + attachment	Partial release	S 36, FO Act 1989
162-164	20/05/2014	Email chain – re: June 2 Forum – Therapy in the ACT	Full release	
165-168	20/05/2014	Email chain – re: Draft media release for therapy forum + attachment	Partial release	S 36, FO Act 1989
169-180	20/05/2014	Email – re: Draft Short Form Contract – Engagement of early intervention market sounding support + attachment	Partial release	S 36, FOI Act 1989
181-189	20/05/2014	Email – re: Amended proposal for market soundings + attachment	Partial release	S 36, FOI Act 1989
190	20/05/2014	Email – re: NDIS Community Forum – Therapy in the ACT – Monday 2 June 2014	Full release	
191	20/05/2014	Email—re: Therapy in the ACT — NDIS Community Forum	Full release	
192-193	20/05/2014	Email chain –re: Community notices, Canberra Times + attachment	Full release	

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194-195	20/05/2014	Email chain – re: Community notices, Canberra Times	Full release	
196-198	21/05/2014	Email – re: KPMG forums – background information TACT + attachment	Full release	
199-204	21/05/2014	Email chain – re: Evidence for Early Intervention Models	Full release	
205-208	21/05/2014	Email – re: KPMG forums – background information TACT + attachment	Full release	
209-214	21/05/2014	Email chain —re: Evidence for Early Intervention Models	Full release	
215-223	21/05/2014	Email chain – re: Amended proposal for market surroundings	Partial release	S 43, FOI Act 1989
224-225	21/05/2014	Email chain – re: June 2 Forum – Therapy in the ACT	Full release	
226-229 .	21/05/2014	Email chain – re: Early Intervention factsheet	Full release	
230-231	21/05/2014	Email chain – re: Cerebral Palsy Alliance – next visit to Canberra	Not released	Information is outside the scope of the request
232-236	22/05/2014	Email chain – CV and confirmation of phone discussion + attachment	Partial release	S 41, FO Act 1989
237-238	22/05/2014	Email chain – re: Early Intervention factsheet	Full release	
239-240	22/05/2014	Email chain – re: Early Intervention factsheet	Full release	
241-242	22/05/2014	Email chain – re: June 2 Forum – Therapy in the ACT	Full release	
243	22/05/2014	Email – Meeting – 4 June 2014	Exempt in full	S 43, FOI Act 1989
244-245	22/05/2014	Email chain – re: Invitation for expert panel and guests to therapy forum	Full release	
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246-248	22/05/2014	Email chain – re: June 2 Forum – Therapy in the ACT	Full release	
249-250	22/05/2014	Email – re: Meeting with Minister Burch – 21 May 2014 (draft summary)	Partial release	S 41, FOI Act 1989
251-252	23/05/2014	Email chain – re: Single select KPMG	Full release	
253-258	23/05/2014	Email chain – re: Early intervention services  – UPDATED LINES	Partial release	Some information is outside the scope of the request
259-260	23/05/2014	Email chain – re: NDIS Community Forum – Therapy in the ACT	Exempt in full	S 41, FOI Act 1989
261-263	23/05/2014	Email chain — re: June 2 Forum — Therapy in the ACT	Full release	
264	23/05/2014	Email chain – re: A Message from the NDIS Taskforce – Edition 2	Full release	
265-266	23/05/2014	Email chain – re: Invite letters to expert panel	Partial release	S 41, FO Act 1989
267-268	23/05/2014	Email chain – re: June 2 Forum – Therapy in the ACT	Full release	
269-270	23/05/2014	Email— re: invites to expert panel for you to send out + attachment	Partial release	S 41, FO Act 1989
271	26/05/2014	Email – re: 2 June Forum	Full release	
272-274	26/05/2014	Email chain – re: Project management meeting	Full release	
275-287	26/05/2014	Email chain – re: ACT Market Soundings for Early Intervention	Partial release	S 43, FOI Act 1989
288-292	26/05/2014	Email chain – re: Early intervention factsheet + attachment	Full release	
293-295	26/05/2014	Email – re: June 2 Forum – Therapy in the ACT	Full release	
296-297	26/05/2014	Email chain – re: June 2 Forum planning	Full release	

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298-309	26/05/2014	Email chain – re: Contract + attachment	Full release			
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312	26/05/2014	Email chain – re: 2 June Forum	Full release			}
313-314	26/05/2014	Email chain – re: Meeting – Early Intervention Closures (Notes)	Exempt in full	S 43, FOI	Act 1989	
315-319	26/05/2014	Email chain – re: ACT Market Soundings for Early Intervention	Full release			
320-335	27/05/2014	Email –re: Draft Project Plan + attachment	Partial release	S 43, FOI	Act 1989	
336-341	27/05/2014	Email chain – re: A Message for the NDIS Taskforce – Edition 2	Full release			
342-356	27/05/2014	Email – re: 108 + attachment	Partial release	S 43, FO	Act 1989	
357-360	27/05/2014	Email – re: 109RSVP list.xlsx	Partial release		Act 1989 Act 1989	
361-376	27/05/2014	Email chain – re: Project plan + attachment	Partial release	S 43, FO	Act 1989	
377-378	28/05/2014	Email – re: 1342 June Forum location + attachment	Full release			
379	27/05/2014	Email – re: Venue for forum	Full release			1
380-381	28/05/2014	Email – RSVP list.xlsx	Full release			
382-383	28/05/2014	Email – re: RSVP list.xlsx	Partial release	S 43, FO	I Act 1989	
384-385	28/05/2014	Email – re: June forum confirmation	Full release			
386-388	28/05/2014	Email chain – re: Early Intervention factsheet	Full release			
389-392	28/05/2014	Email chain – re: Early Intervention factsheet	Full release			
393	28/05/2014	Email – re: Forum on 2 June	Full release			
394-395	28/05/2014	Email chain – re: Therapy ACT forum on 02/06/14	Partial release	S 43, FO	I Act 1989	

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396	28/05/2014	Email chain – re: Forum on 2 June	Full release	•
397	28/05/2014	Email – re: 122June2 attendance	Full release	
398	28/05/2014	Email chain – re: Forum on 2 June	Full release	
399-475	28/05/2014	Email chain – re: RSVP list xlsx + attachments	Partial release	Some information is outside the scope of the request
476-478	28/05/2014	Email chain – re: draft list of organisations for market soundings	Partial release	S 43, FOI Act 1989
479-481	28/05/2014	Email chain – re: draft list of organisations for market soundings	Partial release	S 43, FOI Act 1989
482-483	28/05/2014	Email chain – re: Captioning & Transcript for Therapy in the ACT Forum	Full release	
484-485	28/05/2014	Email chain – re: 2 June Forum location + attachment	Full release	
486	29/05/2014	Email chain – re: June 2 Forum	Full release	
487-491	29/05/2014	Email chain – re: Early Intervention factsheet	Partial release	S 43, FO Act 1989
492-496	29/05/2014	Email chain – re: Therapy ACT Forum on 02/06/14	Partial release	S 43, FO Act 1989
497	29/05/2014	Email chain – re: Attachment B – Joy Burch speech	Full release	
498- 513	29/05/2014	Email chain – re: Project Plan + attachment	Partial release	S 43, FOI Act 1989
514-525	29/05/2014	Email chain – re: Draft interview guides + attachment	Partial release	S 43, FOI Act 1989
526	29/05/2014	Email chain – re: Brief – Therapy and Early Intervention forum	Full release	
527-529	29/05/2014	Email chain – re: Draft interview guides	Partial release	S 43, FOI Act 1989
530	29/05/2014	Email chain – re: June 2 attendance	Full release	

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531-553	29/05/2014	Email chain – re: Forum – 2 June – Handouts for KPMG – Background + attachment	Full release		
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555	29/05/2014	Email chain – re: Brief for Monday	Full release		
556-558	29/05/2014	Email chain – re: Draft interview guides	Partial release	S 43, FO	Act 1989
559-574	29/05/2014	Email – re: Finalised project plan + attachment	Partial release	S 43, FO	Act 1989
575-605	29/05/2014	Email – re: Interview questions and draft best practice report + attachments	Partial release	1	formation is outside the the request
606-607	29/05/2014	Email chain – re: KPMG Contacts	Partial release	S 43, FO	Act 1989
608	29/05/2014	Email chain – re: Brief for Monday	Full release		
609	29/05/2014	Email – re: Proposed Panel for Monday	Full release		
610-612	30/05/2014	Email – re: Slides Early Intervention (draft)	Full release		·
613-614	30/05/2014	Email chain – re: Early Intervention	Exempt in full	S 43, FO	Act 1989
615-616	30/05/2014	Email chain – re: Proposed Panel for Monday	Full release		
617-618	30/05/2014	Email – re: Forum prep	Full release		
619-621	30/05/2014	Email – re: Brief – Therapy and Early Intervention forum (final) + attachment	Partial release	S 43, FO	Act 1989
622-625	30/05/2014	Email – re: Early Intervention factsheet + attachment	Full release		
626-640	30/05/2014	Email – re: For the pack + attachment	Full release		
641	30/05/2014	Email chain – re: Media release and fact sheets for clearance	Full release		
642-644	30/05/2014	Email chain – re: Forum prep – speaker titles	Full release		

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645-647	30/05/2014	Email chain – re: Forum prep – speaker titles	Full release	
648-668	30/05/2014	Email chain – re: Final pack – in confidence, not for further discussion	Partial release	S 43, FOI Act 1989 S 41, FOI Act 1989
669-670	30/05/2014	Email chain – re: thank you – one last thing	Full release	
671	30/05/2014	Email chain – re: for the pack	Full release	
672-674	30/05/2014	Email chain – re: Forum prep – speaker titles	Full release	
675-676	30/05/2014	Email – re: Market soundings.pptx + attachment	Full release	

From:

Starick, Kate

Sent:

Wednesday, 14 May 2014 10:15 AM

To:

Luck, Surangani

Cc:

King, Sarah; Whitten, Meredith; Gehrig, Therese (Health); Fraser, Norman

Subject:

FW: ACT Market Soundings for Early Intervention

Attachments:

ACT Early intervention draft engagement letter v0 2 (2) (2) pdf

Importance:

High

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Hello Surangani

Following our discussion this morning. I am seeking to engage KPMG to undertake market soundings for Early Intervention for the ACT.

3 quotes were sought last year – around September 2013 and KPMG were engaged following this process as they had a sound understanding of the ACT context and their quote was the best price. We would like to commence work with them as soon as possible.

I have attached for your information a draft engagement letter, and can also forward previous progress reports from their recent market soundings work with us.

Apologies for the time pressure. Could you please advise who will take the lead and further information and input you require. Please note we hope to commence discussions for 19 May 2014.

Regards

Kate

Kate Starick | Director |

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From: Starick, Kate

Sent: Tuesday, 13 May 2014 8:31 AM

To: Evans, Jacinta Cc: Whitten, Meredith

Subject: FW: ACT Market Soundings for Early Intervention

Importance: High

Hello Jacinta

Firstly my apologies for not including you in this work earlier. We have met briefly with ETD and have engaged KPMG to carry out market soundings (attached is their 'engagement' letter).

Please have a look - you will note my comments.

Would be happy to talk through this with you. Are you around later this afternoon?

Cheers Kate

Kate Starick | Director |

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From: Starick, Kate

**Sent:** Monday, 12 May 2014 10:28 AM **To:** Short, Joe; Sheehan, Maureen

**Cc:** Forsyth, Liz; Gniel, Stephen; Mitchell, Beth; Doyle, Nicki **Subject:** RE: ACT Market Soundings for Early Intervention

Importance: High

Dear All

Please find attached the draft engagement letter. I have inserted comments from ETD in the letter.

Regards Kate

Kate Starick | Director |

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From: Short, Joe [mailto:jjshort@kpmg.com.au]

Sent: Thursday, 8 May 2014-8:27-AM-

To: Sheehan, Maureen

Cc: Forsyth, Liz; Starick, Kate; Gniel, Stephen; Mitchell, Beth; Doyle, Nicki -

**Subject:** RE: ACT Market Soundings for Early Intervention

Hi Maureen,

Further to our conversation last week, please find attached a draft engagement letter for this work.

If you have any suggested edits, please let me know, and I can then formalise the letter and send to you as a final document for signature.

You will see in the Appendix we have put together a suggested list of providers to sound based on input from Lindy and our own research. We have also begun developing an interview guide which we can share in due course.

Kind regards,

Joe 0409 396 444

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From: Forsyth, Liz

**Sent:** Tuesday, 22 April 2014 4:34 PM

To: Sheehan, Maureen

Cc: Short, Joe; Chandrakumar, Loga; Starick, Kate; Gniel, Stephen; Mitchell, Beth; Durham, Amity

Subject: RE: ACT Market Soundings for Early Intervention

Maureen

Thanks for considering us – we would be delighted to undertaken this work for you

Amity will try and find a time for us to talk

Hope you had a good break

### Cheers

Liz

### Liz Forsyth

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From: Sheehan, Maureen [mailto:Maureen.Sheehan@act.gov.au]

Sent: Thursday, 17 April 2014 2:28 PM

To: Forsyth, Liz

Cc: Short, Joe; Chandrakumar, Loga; Starick, Kate; Gniel, Stephen; Mitchell, Beth

**Subject:** RE: ACT Market Soundings for Early Intervention

Importance: High ...

### Dear Liz

The ACT Government has finally announced it is withdrawing from supported accommodation no later than 30 June 2017 and from Therapy services no later than 30 June 2016.

As a result of the work we did around cash and in kind and phasing with you, Government has also announced that Education will withdraw from early intervention services from the end of the 2014 school year.

We are keen engage KPMG again to leverage off the market soundings for Therapy, and to do further soundings on Early Intervention services. Would it be possible to make a time for a conversation next week on how we would go about this?

Regards Maureen

Maureen Sheehan
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ACT National Disability Insurance Scheme
Community Services Directorate

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From: Chandrakumar, Loga [mailto:logac@kpmg.com.au]

Sent: Thursday, 19 December 2013 5:22 PM

To: Sheehan, Maureen

**Cc:** Baumgart, Richard; Forsyth, Liz; Short, Joe **Subject:** ACT Market Soundings Transmittal

Hi Maureen

Please find attached a copy of the final report and a copy of our transmittal letter which formally closes our work. I shall raise the final invoice and get it sent across.

I'll be in touch in the New Year to organise a wrap-up call with yourself, Liz and the team.

It's been great working with you and the team, hope you have a restful break and safe festive season.

cheers Loga

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From:

Whitten, Meredith

Sent:

Wednesday, 14 May 2014 11:36 AM

To:

Starick, Kate; Baumgart, Richard

Subject:

3FW: Market sounding - therapy services CABINET IN CONFIDENCE

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### Hi Kate and Richard

I understand from my email records that the weekly market sounding conversations commenced from 18 October 2013. Richard and I have not discussed whether he holds any documents for the engagement of KPMG. However, you may wish to check your email records for emails from Doyle, Nicki; Short, Joe; Chandrakumar, Loga

### Meredith

From: Whitten, Meredith

Sent: Tuesday, 29 October 2013 10:38 PM

**To:** Sheehan, Maureen; Starick, Kate; Baumgart, Richard; Hambleton, Graham **Subject:** RE: Market sounding - therapy services CABINET IN CONFIDENCE

### Maureen

One of the proposed questions implies an ACT Government decision about moving to the non-government sector. Suggest the intent is changed to "exploring options".

I would appreciate if you would send to Jacinta for her comments. Thanks

### Meredith Whitten

From: Sheehan, Maureen

Sent: Tuesday, 29 October 2013 1:17 PM

**To:** Starick, Kate; Baumgart, Richard; Whitten, Meredith; Hambleton, Graham **Subject:** FW: Market sounding - therapy services CABINET IN CONFIDENCE

### Meredith

For your consideration and advice. Would you like me to send it to Jacinta?

Regards Maureen

From: Doyle, Nicki [mailto:ndoyle@kpmg.com.au]

Sent: Tuesday, 29 October 2013 1:13 PM

To: Sheehan, Maureen

Cc: Short, Joe; Chandrakumar, Loga

Subject: Market sounding - therapy services

Dear Maureen,

Thankyou for taking the time to talk with me yesterday. Please find attached three documents for you outlining:

- Potential organisations for market sounding
- Potential interview questions for possible therapy service providers
- Potential interview questions for professional associations.

It would be great to get your feedback, including on the potential organisations for market sounding.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Regards, Nicki

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# Whitten, Meredith

From:

Whitten, Meredith

Sent:

Thursday, 29 May 2014 3:21 PM

To:

Starick, Kate

Subject:

RE: Draft interview guides

Hi Kate

Can you send the details through for

- the business card I gave you yesterday.

Meredith

From: Starick, Kate

Sent: Thursday, 29 May 2014 1:11 PM

To: Gniel, Stephen; Sheehan, Maureen; Whitten, Meredith; Evans, Jacinta

Cc: Baumgart, Richard

**Subject:** FW: Draft interview guides

Importance: High

FYI

Would appreciate feedback ASAP.

Meredith and Steve - can DACT and ETD provide contacts for providers to KPMG please?

Thanks Kate

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From: Doyle, Nicki [mailto:ndoyle@kpmg.com.au]

Sent: Thursday, 29 May 2014 12:10 PM

To: Starick, Kate Cc: Durham, Amity

Subject: Draft interview guides

Hi Kate,

Please find attached the draft interview guides for the focus groups and the market soundings. We look forward to your feedback on these.

In order for us to commence the preliminary market soundings before Monday, can you please send us through the required information as outlined in the email? It may also be good to be able to provide organisations with the numbers by program/group if possible.

Lastly, were there any other changes to the project plan, or are you happy to have this delivered as final?

Regards,

Nicki

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From:

Evans, Jacinta

Sent:

Wednesday, 14 May 2014 5:07 PM

To:

Starick, Kate

Cc: Subject: Wyles, Paul; Whitten, Meredith 7Possible forum participants

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Hi Kate

I've got a few suggestions for the forum:

Anna Huber-infant mental health/Marymead
Susan Henderson-Manager Children's Services-Woden Community Services
Beverley Rafael-psychiatric infant health-ANU
Margie Wild-Browne-ACT KidsMatter
Marianne Bookallil-GP advisor ACT Health
Leanne Wells –Medicare Locale

In terms of ETD, I'm sure they have a few people in mind but Susan Sullivan could be good?

As well as the above, some members of the Child Development System of Care Steering Committee and maybe Dr Sue Packer. I would like to have a couple of key staff from TACT there if possible.

Let me know if you want contact details for those listed above.

Cheers

Jacinta

Jacinta Evans | Senior Wanager
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# Whitten, Meredith

From:

Whitten, Meredith

Sent:

Wednesday, 14 May 2014 5:14 PM

To:

Gniel, Stephen; Mitchell, Beth

Subject:

FW: ACT market soundings (early intervention). Revised engagement letter

Hi Stephen and Beth

For your information.

Meredith

From: Starick, Kate

Sent: Wednesday, 14 May 2014 3:39 PM

To: Whitten, Meredith; PAULL, Jillian; Evans, Jacinta; Johnston, Claire

Subject: FW: ACT market soundings (early intervention). Revised engagement letter

Dear all please see proposed times for a forum as discussed

Kate

Kate Starick | Director |

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**From:** Short, Joe [mailto:jjshort@kpmg.com.au]

Sent: Wednesday, 14 May 2014 3:37 PM

To: Starick, Kate; Sheehan, Maureen; Johnston, Claire

Cc: Forsyth, Liz; Doyle, Nicki

Subject: RE: ACT market soundings (early intervention). Revised engagement letter

Hi Kate,

Updated draft engagement letter attached, including KPMG facilitation of a forum event. Potential forum dates to be held in Canberra:

May 26 - 11.30am - 2pm

May 27th - 11.30am - 2pm

May 28th - all day

May 30th - all day

We have one other facilitator who may have availability should the above dates not work.

Kind regards,

Joe

From: Short, Joe

**Sent:** Wednesday, 14 May 2014 1:09 PM **To:** Starick, Kate; Sheehan, Maureen

Cc: Forsyth, Liz; Doyle, Nicki

Subject: ACT market soundings (early intervention). Revised engagement letter

Hi Kate / Maureen

Please find attached the revised engagement letter for your feedback.

<< File: ACT Early intervention draft engagement letter v0 4.pdf >>

The changes respond to those previously highlighted by Kate, and build in performance of 7 focus groups. We have marginally altered our budget and timeline to accommodate this.

Please let me know if you have any further feedback on the letter. If you are happy with it, I will issue as final and we can organise a project kick off meeting.

Kind regards,

Joe 0409 396 444

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From:

Starick, Kate

Sent:

Wednesday, 14 May 2014 5:25 PM

To:

chapman, Sue

Subject:

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No worries

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From: Chapman, Sue

Sent: Wednesday, 14 May 2014 5:25 PM

To: Starick, Kate

Subject: RE: EI Therapy Forum

Thanks for your speedy action on this Kate. Much appreciated

Sue

From: Starick, Kate

**Sent:** Wednesday, 14 May 2014 4:18 PM **To:** Chapman, Sue; Whitten, Meredith

Cc: Johnston, Claire

Subject: RE: EI Therapy Forum

Hi Confirming dates from KPMG and attendance with Ministers Office.

Regards Kate

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From: Chapman, Sue

**Sent:** Wednesday, 14 May 2014 1:39 PM **To:** Starick, Kate; Whitten, Meredith

**Cc:** Johnston, Claire

Subject: RE: EI Therapy Forum

Meredith

As soon as we have date confirmed please let me know so i can inform the Minister

Sue

From: Starick, Kate

**Sent:** Wednesday, 14 May 2014 1:34 PM **To:** Chapman, Sue; Whitten, Meredith

Cc: Johnston, Claire

Subject: EI Therapy Forum

Hi

We had already started talks with KPMG re focus gps as part of market soundings work. KPMG have agreed to facilitate a forum of experts family – date TBA but advised week of 26<sup>th</sup> optimal. In addition they will run 7 focus groups with families - total 35 families.

NDIA will attend – no availability next week due to training. Have calls in to Jacinta, Stephen and Beth. Might be useful to invite Paul and the El network?

Claire booking venue once we hear back from KPMG.

Am off to Disability Employee network at Health now, so Claire will advise once dates locked in.

Regards

Kate

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From:

Starick, Kate

Sent:

Wednesday, 14 May 2014 5:49 PM

To: Subject: Gonczarek, Melinda 9RE: proposed dates

Categories:

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OK will tentatively book 28th with KPMG

Kate Starick | Director |

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From: Gonczarek, Melinda

Sent: Wednesday, 14 May 2014 4:31 PM

To: Starick, Kate

Subject: RE: proposed dates

Sorry Kate, Minister is still in the Assembly.

As a tentative date though, the May 28<sup>th</sup> from 11.30-1.30 has been blocked in her diary and I am confident that date will work, but I will confirm as soon as she returns upstairs.

Melinda.

From: Starick, Kate

Sent: Wednesday, 14 May 2014 4:03 PM

**To:** Gonczarek, Melinda **Subject:** proposed dates

May 26 – 11.30am – 2pm

May 27th - 11.30am - 2pm

May 28th - all day May 30th - all day

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From:

Johnston, Claire

Sent:

Friday, 16 May 2014 2:09 PM

To:

Whitten, Meredith; Starick, Kate; Evans, Jacinta

Subject:

12RE: Text for the invite

Categories:

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Thanks Weredith.

FYI I am having a nice, bright invitation made up.

From: Whitten, Meredith

**Sent:** Friday, 16 May 2014 1:59 PM

To: Starick, Kate; Johnston, Claire; Evans, Jacinta

Subject: RE: Text for the invite

Thanks Kate – this looks fine to me. Will you also send it to Stephen Gneil. Thanks

Meredith

From: Starick, Kate

Sent: Friday, 16 May 2014 1:45 PM

To: Whitten, Meredith; Johnston, Claire; Evans, Jacinta

Subject: FW: Text for the invite

Hi Meredith Proposed invite Thanks Claire

Kate

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From: Johnston, Claire

Sent: Friday, 16 May 2014 12:58 PM

To: Starick, Kate

Subject: Text for the invite

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When: 12 - 2PM, Monday 2 June 2014

Where: TBC

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From:

Starick, Kate

Sent:

Friday, 16 May 2014 3:31 PM

To:

McClelland, Lisa

Subject:

14RE: forum

Categories:

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From: McClelland, Lisa

Sent: Friday, 16 May 2014 3:30 PM

**To:** Starick, Kate **Cc:** Johnston, Claire **Subject:** RE: forum

I haven't sent it to them yet, but am happy to do so now

Kind Regards

Lisa

Lisa McClelland | ACT NDIS Taskforce

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From: Starick, Kate

Sent: Friday, 16 May 2014 3:24 PM

To: McClelland, Lisa Subject: forum

Hi Lisa please advise

Have calendar place holders gone to

Stephen Gniel
Dianne Joseph
Beth Mitchell?

Regards

Kate

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From:

Short, Joe [jjshort@kpmg.com.au]

Sent:

Friday, 16 May 2014 3:38 PM

To:

Starick, Kate

Cc:

Sheehan, Maureen; Gniel, Stephen; Mitchell, Beth; Barr, Iain; Whitten, Meredith; Evans,

Jacinta; Forsyth, Liz; Doyle, Nicki, Durham, Amity

Subject:

Re: ACT Early intervention - KPMG support

Attachments:

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Thanks kate.

Nicki will send round dial in details for the teleconference on Monday

Sorry about the spelling error- we are good for June 2nd for either nicki or Rae.

Regards

Joe

On 16 May 2014, at 15:05, "Starick, Kate" < <a href="mailto:Kate.Starick@act.gov.au">Kate.Starick@act.gov.au</a> wrote:

Hello Joe

12 - 1 is fine. Will that be via teleconference?

Also - just to clarify, the forum was scheduled for 2nd June not 2nd July. Is that do-able?

Regards Kate

Kate Starick | Director |

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From:

Whitten, Meredith

Sent:

Sunday, 18 May 2014 4:08 PM

To:

Gniel, Stephen, Mitchell, Beth; Barr, Iain; Evans, Jacinta; Starick, Kate

Subject:

23FW: to Senior Director: Ms Meredith Whitten re: implementation of the NDIS and Early

Intervention

Attachments:

Early Intervention School final.docx

Categories:

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Stephen and lain

I have received this letter

Lwould

appreciate your advice about your responding to this email. I have acknowledged receipt of the email. With thanks

Meredith Whitten | Executive Director | .

Phone 620 71475 | Fax 620 71371 |

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**From:** Community Services Directorate **Sent:** Monday, 12 May 2014 6:41 AM

To: Whitten, Meredith

Subject: FW: to Senior Director: Ms Meredith Whitten re: implementation of the NDIS and Early Intervention

From:

**Sent:** Saturday, 10 May 2014 7:13 PM **To:** Community Services Directorate

Subject: to Senior Director: Ms Meredith Whitten re: implementation of the NDIS and Early Intervention

Hello

Enclosed is the letter with the intention of conveying the needs of the community as told to me, as well as a reasoned plea to have small group, centre based learning be a part of the Early Intervention. The NDIS meeting made me face the fact that there will not be government Early Intervention schools as they are now. However, I strongly push for fee per service schools that will embrace all of the needs of the families.

Of Cranleigh's 66 Early Intervention students:

- 10 (15%) are either in foster care or have current Care and Protection involvement
- 7 (11%) are indigenous
- 22 (33%) are from a family where English is not the first language

It is important to note over half of Cranleigh's EIP students have significant social and cultural concerns and come from the most vulnerable of

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circumstances. These are vulnerable kids even without the addition of the developmental delay and disability.

Once again, I support the NDIS and my goal is to work with you to do the best for the children. I know that this is what we all want. Please feel free to call on me for anything.

Respectful regards,

From:

Starick, Kate

Sent:

Friday, 16 May 2014 4:14 PM

To:

Gonczarek, Melinda

Subject:

17FW: Text for the invite

Attachments:

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Categories:

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Hi Melinda

What do you think?

Kate

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From: Johnston, Claire

Sent: Friday, 16 May 2014 4:13 PM

To: Johnston, Claire; Whitten, Meredith; Starick, Kate; Evans, Jacinta

Cc: McClelland, Lisa

Subject: RE: Text for the invite

Hi everyone,

Updated invite attached.

Is everyone happy with this version?

Cheers, Claire

From: Johnston, Claire

**Sent:** Friday, 16 May 2014 3:53 PM

To: Whitten, Meredith; Starick, Kate; Evans, Jacinta

Cc: McClelland, Lisa

Subject: RE: Text for the invite

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Draft invite attached. Would anyone like to make any changes, or is it OK?

Cheers,

Claire

From: Whitten, Meredith

**Sent:** Friday, 16 May 2014 1:59 PM

To: Starick, Kate; Johnston, Claire; Evans, Jacinta

Subject: RE: Text for the invite

Thanks Kate – this looks fine to me. Will you also send it to Stephen Gneil. Thanks

Meredith

From: Starick, Kate

Sent: Friday, 16 May 2014 1:45 PM

To: Whitten, Meredith; Johnston, Claire; Evans, Jacinta

Subject: FW: Text for the invite

Hi Meredith

Proposed invite Thanks Claire

Kate

Kate Starick | Director |

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From: Johnston, Claire

Sent: Friday, 16 May 2014 12:58 PM

To: Starick, Kate

Subject: Text for the invite

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- Disability sector workers

When: 12 - 2PM, Monday 2 June 2014

Where: TBC

Hear from experts, families and the ACT Government about how Therapy will work with the NDIS.

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From:

Johnston, Claire

Sent:

Friday, 16 May 2014 4:36 PM

To:

Johnston, Claire; Whitten, Meredith; Starick, Kate; Evans, Jacinta

Cc:

McClelland, Lisa

Subject:

18RE: Text for the invite

Attachments:

Therapy ACT Forum Invite.pdf

Categories:

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Final Final version!

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Cc: McClelland, Lisa

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Kate

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From:

Starick, Kate

Sent:

Friday, 16 May 2014 4:50 PM

To:

Johnston, Claire

Subject:

20RE: Therapy ACT forum for the website

Categories:

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Not yet. After Minister's meeting

Thanks though looks good!

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From: Johnston, Claire

Sent: Friday, 16 May 2014 4:50 PM

To: Starick, Kate

**Subject:** Therapy ACT forum for the website

Kate are you happy for this to go on the website?

For the website:

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See attached invitation (link to attached invite)

Also insert in the Public Calendar:

Event Name: NDIS Community Forum – Therapy in the ACT

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Start Date:

2 June, 12PM

End Date:

2 June, 2PM

Duration:

2 hours

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From:

Starick, Kate

Sent:

Saturday, 17 May 2014 1:48 PM

To:

Baumgart, Richard

Subject:

22Re: Therapy ACT forum for the website

Categories:

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Wait till Monday. Will also need tact to do speaking notes etc. catch you next week

On 17 May 2014, at 1:24 pm, "Baumgart, Richard" < Richard. Baumgart@act.gov.au > wrote:

Do you want us to push it out to our networks yet, or hold off?

Richard Baumgart | Director | Phone <u>02 6205 1522</u> |
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From: Starick, Kate

**Sent:** Friday, 16 May 2014 4:54 PM

KPMG engaged to facilitate panel

**To:** Gniel, Stephen; Mitchell, Beth; Baumgart, Richard; Barr, Iain; Monteith, Jo; Evans, Jacinta; Whitten, Meredith; Sutton, Vanessa; Howson, Natalie; Sheehan, Maureen; Chapman, Sue

Subject: FW: Therapy ACT forum for the website

Dear All

Please find attached the proposed invite for the Therapy forum – thank you Claire. Proposed that invites will go out to all networks.

Am still working on an external speaker re Early Intervention.

Regards Kate

Kate Starick | Director |

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From:

Starick, Kate

Sent:

Monday, 19 May 2014 8:30 PM

To:

'Doyle, Nicki'; Whitten, Meredith; Baumgart, Richard; Evans, Jacinta; Gniel, Stephen;

Barr, Iain; Monteith, Jo; Durham, Amity
Subject: 39RE: June 2 Forum - Therapy in the ACT

Categories:

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Thanks Nicki

Will speak with you tomorrow

Thinking we'll change the agenda below to allow more Q&A and have the NDIA as the main speaker

Cheers

Kate

From: Doyle, Nicki [mailto:ndoyle@kpmg.com.au]

Sent: Monday, 19 May 2014 4:51 PM

To: Starick, Kate; Whitten, Meredith; Baumgart, Richard; Evans, Jacinta; Gniel, Stephen; Barr, Iain; Monteith, Jo;

Durham, Amity.

Subject: RE: June 2 Forum - Therapy in the ACT

Hi Kate,

Thanks for the information you have sent through to date.

In terms of the forums, it would be great if they could be held on two days (or three days) to consolidate travel. The dates that are available are:

- 4<sup>th</sup> June/5<sup>th</sup> June
- 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> June
- $-16^{th}$ ,  $17^{th}$ ,  $18^{th}$  and  $19^{th}$  June

In terms of the workshop on June 2<sup>nd</sup>, due to the nature of the workshop and the presence of the Minister and other government representatives, we are working to free up some time for one of our Partners, Kerry McGough, to undertake the workshop. Kerry has worked extensively in the disability sector, including undertaking a large amount of work on the NDIS. We will hopefully be able to confirm her attendance in the next day or two:

The engagement letter will be with you tomorrow.

Regards,

Nicki

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Sent: Monday, 19 May 2014 3:28 PM

To: Whitten, Meredith; Baumgart, Richard; Evans, Jacinta; Gniel, Stephen; Barr, Iain; Monteith, Jo; Doyle,

Nicki; Durham, Amity

Subject: June 2 Forum - Therapy in the ACT

Some ideas about the forum

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12.10		
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12.30	Burch	
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13.15		
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13.30		
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		ETD
		NDIA
		NDIS Taskforce
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14.00		

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Sent:

Monday, 19 May 2014 8:37 PM 'PAULL, Jillian'; TIBBITTS, Alice

To: Cc:

Sheehan, Maureen

Subject:

40RE: June 2 Forum - Therapy in the ACT [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

Categories:

possible

Hi Jillian

Thank you.

I've had feedback to shorten Minister and DG time to allow more time for NDIA and Q&A panel

What do you think?

Cheers Kate

From: PAULL, Jillian [mailto:Jillian.PAULL@ndis.gov.au]

**Sent:** Monday, 19 May 2014 4:23 PM **To:** Starick, Kate; TIBBITTS, Alice

Cc: Sheehan, Maureen

**Subject:** RE: June 2 Forum - Therapy in the ACT [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

Many thanks Kate...we'll find out about Mary's availability and come back to you asap

Jillian Paull

**ACT Trial Site Manager** 

National Disability Insurance Agency

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Cc: Sheehan, Maureen

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To: Subject:	25RE: Text for the invite		
Categories:	possible		
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From: Starick, Kate Sent: Friday, 16 May To: Gonczarek, Melind	la		
Subject: FW: Text for	r the invite		
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Kate			
Kate Starick   Director	1		
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From: Johnston, Clair Sent: Friday, 16 May To: Johnston, Claire; V Cc: McClelland, Lisa Subject: RE: Text for	2014 4:13 PM Whitten, Meredith; Starick, Kate; Evan	s, Jacinta	
Hi everyone,			
Updated invite attach	ed.		
_ Is everyone happy_wit	h this version?		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Cheers, Claire			
From: Johnston, Clair Sent: Friday, 16 May To: Whitten, Meredith Cc: McClelland, Lisa Subject: RE: Text for	2014 3:53 PM ; Starick, Kate; Evans, Jacinta	**************************************	
Hi everyone,			
Draft invite attached.	Would anyone like to make any chang	ges, or is it OK?	
Cheers, — Chaire			
and the second s			<u></u>

From: Whitten, Meredith

Sent: Friday, 16 May 2014 1:59 PM

To: Starick, Kate; Johnston, Claire; Evans, Jacinta

Subject: RE: Text for the invite

Thanks Kate - this looks fine to me. Will you also send it to Stephen Gneil. Thanks

#### Meredith

From: Starick, Kate

Sent: Friday, 16 May 2014 1:45 PM

To: Whitten, Meredith; Johnston, Claire; Evans, Jacinta

Subject: FW: Text for the invite

Hi Meredith Proposed invite Thanks Claire

Kate

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From: Johnston, Claire

Sent: Friday, 16 May 2014 12:58 PM

To: Starick, Kate

**Subject:** Text for the invite

Hi Kate, what do you think about the wording for the invite? This is my attempt:

#### NDIS Community Forum - Therapy in the ACT

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#### This is a forum for:

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- Service providers
- Disability sector workers

When: 12 – 2PM, Monday 2 June 2014

Where: TBC

Hear from experts, families and the ACT Government about how Therapy will work with the NDIS.

To RSVP or for more information call (02) 6205 1372 or email ndis@act.gov.au



Claire Johnston | Community Engagement Officer|

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www.act.gov.au/ndis

Subject: Location:

Project Initiation Meeting - Market sounding support for early intervention

Lync Meeting

Start: End: Mon 19/05/2014 12:00 PM Mon 19/05/2014 1:00 PM

**Show Time As:** 

Tentative

Recurrence:

(none)

Organizer:

Doyle, Nicki

Hi everyone,

Please find details below for the project initiation meeting.

Regards, Nicki

## → Join Lync Meeting

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Mitchell, Malcome

Sent:

Monday, 19 May 2014 1:27 PM

To: Cc: Baumgart, Richard Luck, Surangani

Subject:

Luck, Surangani
FW: Engagement for Early Intervention Market Sounding

Attachments:

Draft Procurement Plan Minute-V2 16052014.doc

#### Richard

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#### Regards

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Sent: Monday, 19 May 2014 11:49 AM

**To:** Starick, Kate **Cc:** Luck, Surangani

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From:

Johnston, Claire

Sent:

Monday, 19 May 2014 1:42 PM

To: Cc: Monteith, Jo; Barr, lain

Subject:

Starick, Kate; Evans, Jacinta 28FW: Therapy forum invitation

Attachments:

Therapy ACT Forum Invite.pdf

Categories:

possible

Hi lan and Jo, this is now ready to go out to our networks.

Many thanks,

Claire

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When Monday 2 June 2014, 12.00 pm - 2.00 pm

Winere Hedley Beare Centre for Teaching and Learning Hall, 51 Fremantle Dr. Stirling

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For reference, I've set the budget at the upper end, and the team will bring it in under.

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## **Procurement Plan Minute**

	PROCUREMENT OVERVIEW		
	То	Deputy Director-General, Community Services Directorate (CSD)	
		Executive Director, Disability ACT	
	·	Senior Director, Finance and Budget CSD	
	Name of Project .	Engagement for early intervention market sounding support.	
	Purpose	This Minute seeks your approval to undertake a single select procurement process to engage KPMG to undertake market soundings for early intervention for the ACT.	
Í	Estimated value (\$)	The total contract value is \$176,000 (GST inclusive).	
	Timing/urgency	Urgent - Commence service by "20 May 2014"	
-	Tender Number	n/a	
	Is Government Procurement Board sign off required?	No, the estimate value of this procurement is below the \$5,000,000 threshold for goods and services procurement.	
	Is ACT Government Solicitor consultation required?	The Territory will use the template documents developed by the Government Solicitor. If required, their services will be engaged for specific activities.	

PROCUREMENT REQUIREM	VIENT	INTS		
Background	con	National Disability Insurance Scheme is a new way of providing nmunity linking and individualised support for people with permanent significant disabilities, their families and carers. For further prmation refer to <a href="http://www.ndis.gov.au/">http://www.ndis.gov.au/</a> .		
 	1	National Disability Insurance Scheme is underpinned by a set		
, •	(1)	People with a disability have the same right as other members of Australian society to realise their potential for physical, social, emotional and intellectual development.		
	(2)	People with disability should be supported to participate in and contribute to social and economic life to the extent of their ability.		
	(3)	People with disability and their families and carers should have certainty that people with disability will receive the care and support they need over their lifetime.		
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	(5)	People with disability should be supported to receive reasonable and necessary supports, including early intervention supports.		

People with disability have the same right as other members of Australian society to respect for their worth and dignity and to live free from abuse, neglect and exploitation. (7) People with disability have the same right as other members of Australian society to pursue any grievance. People with disability have the same right as other members of Australian society to be able to determine their own best interests, including the right to exercise choice and control, and to engage as equal partners in decisions that will affect their lives, to the full extent of their capacity. (9) People with disability should be supported in all their dealings and communications with the Agency so that their capacity to exercise choice and control is maximised in a way that is appropriate to their circumstances and cultural needs. (10) People with disability should have their privacy and dignity respected. (11) Reasonable and necessary supports for people with disability should: support people with disability to pursue their goals and maximise their independence; support people with disability to live independently and to be (b) included in the community as fully participating citizens; and (c) develop and support the capacity of people with disability to undertake activities that enable them to participate in the community and in employment. (12) The role of families, carers and other significant persons in the lives of people with disability is to be acknowledged and respected. (13) The role of advocacy in representing the interests of people with disability is to be acknowledged and respected, recognising that advocacy supports people with disability by: promoting their independence and social and economic (a) participation; and (b) promoting choice and control in the pursuit of their goals and the planning and delivery of their supports; and (c) maximising independent lifestyles of people with disability and their full inclusion in the community. (14) People with disability should be supported to receive supports outside the National Disability Insurance Scheme, and be assisted to coordinate these supports with the supports provided under the National Disability Insurance Scheme. (15) Innovation, quality, continuous improvement, contemporary best practice and effectiveness in the provision of supports to people with disability are to be promoted.

(16) Positive personal and social development of people with disability,
———including children and young people, is to be promoted.

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	Objective or scope of works or services to be	The objective is to engage KPMG to undertake market soundings for early intervention for the ACT.
	provided	The service will provide:
		<ul> <li>a) a programme of market sounding interview with 25 Non</li> <li>Government Organisations which may be interested in the delivery</li> <li>of existing ACT Early Intervention Services;</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>a programme of market sounding interview with up to five (5) peak body organisations and wider providers in order to understand best practice delivery models for early intervention. This will provide insight into broader opportunities for improving service delivery as part of the transition of services from government;</li> </ul>
,		<ul> <li>c) high level desktop review to identify best practice models for early intervention; and</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>d) an analysis of the outcome of sector conversations in order to inform the options available to government in any potential transitioning of services, which will provide an overview recommendation.</li> </ul>
		Refer to the Statement of Requirement at Attachment A
	Туре	Services
	Funding	Funding is available from the ACT NDIS Taskforce budget.
	Site	N/A.
	Consultation (including pre tender)	N/A.

PROCUREMENT RISK		
Risk	The risk is identified as Medium. Refer to ATTACHMENT B.	

PROCUREMENT METHODOLOGY		
Description of the procurement method to be used	Single Select Procurement.	
Negotiation	Refer to ATTACHMENT C.	$\mid$
Is this suitable to be a Social Procurement?	No, this project is not suitable to be a social procurement.	

NEGOTIATION TEAM		•	
Name	1. Kate Starick	2. Jacinta Evans	3. Richard Baumgart
Position	Chair	Member	Member
Agency	ACT NDIS Taskforce Community Services Directorate	Therapy ACT, Community Services Directorate	Disability ACT, Community Services Directorate
Statement on team composition	understanding and known	as been carefully selected wledge of the requirement past experience in the Neg pointed and will not be resche Delegate.	ts set out in this otiation process. Team

CONTRACT MANAGEMENT		
Number of contracts	One (1) Services Agreement will be entered into.	
Contract management	The Services Agreement will be managed by an experienced officer from the ACT NDIS Taskforce who is appropriately skilled to undertake the management of this Services Agreement and monitored by the Contracts and Grants Unit.	
Period of contract(s)	The period of the contract will be for a maximum 2 months.	

AUSTRALIAN FREE TRADE AGREEMENTS (FTAs)		
Does the AUSFTA / Australia-Chile FTA apply?	No, the estimate is in below of the \$573,000 threshold level for goods and services procurement.	

AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT FUNDING				
Is there Australian No, there is no Australian Government funding attached to the procurement.				
attached to the procurement?				

EXEMPTIONS	
Exemption Type	Part 2 of the Government Procurement Regulation 2007 specifies 'Government procurement – quotation and tender thresholds'. Under Section 10 of the regulation, the responsible Chief Executive for the Territory entity may, in writing.
	Exempt the entity from a requirement mentioned in section 6 or section 9 for a particular procurement proposal [Clause 10(1)]; only if satisfied, on reasonable grounds, that the benefit of the exemption outweighs the benefit in requiring compliance with the requirement.
	Clause 6: Procurement of goods, services or works for \$25,000 of more and less than \$200,000
	A Territory entity must seek at least 3 written quotations from suppliers for the procurement of goods, services or works if the total estimated value of the procurement is \$25,000 or more and less than \$200,000.
Reason for Exemption	The reasons for the exemption are as follows:
	(1) Existing knowledge:
	<ul> <li>KPMG undertook similar services for Community Services         Directorate during previous years. This work builds upon work completed late 2013.     </li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>KPMG has undertaken modelling work on similar projects and meet the short timeframe of the consultancy.</li> </ul>
	KPMG has a demonstrated understanding of the Disability     Services in the ACT.
	(2) Timeframe:
	KPMG is able to meet the urgent timeframe for this Project.
	There is insufficient time to go to market and still complete the work in the timeframe required therefore an exemption is required from Section 10.

CONTRACTS AND GRANTS UNIT RECOMMENDATION						
Name	Surangani Luck	Surangani Luck Phone Number (02) 6205 4655				
Position	A/g Senior Manager	A/g Senior Manager				
Signature		Date				

AGENCY ENDORSEMENT						
Name	Meredith Whitten	Phone Number	(02) 62	207 1475		
Position	Executive Director Disability ACT.					
Signature	,	Dat	Date			
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Date				
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#### ATTACHMENT A

# STATEMENT OF REQUIREMENTS Engagement for Early Intervention Market Sounding Support

#### BACKGROUND

The National Disability Insurance Scheme is a new way of providing community linking and individualised support for people with permanent and significant disabilities, their families and carers. For further information refer to http://www.ndis.gov.au/.

The National Disability Insurance Scheme is underpinned by a set principles:

- 1.1 People with a disability have the same right as other members of Australian society to realise their potential for physical, social, emotional and intellectual development.
- 1.2 People with disability should be supported to participate in and contribute to social and economic life to the extent of their ability.
- 1.3 People with disability and their families and carers should have certainty that people with disability will receive the care and support they need over their lifetime.
- 1.4 People with disability should be supported to exercise choice, including in relation to taking reasonable risks, in the pursuit of their goals and the planning and delivery of their supports.
- 1.5 People with disability should be supported to receive reasonable and necessary supports, including early intervention supports.
- 1.6 People with disability have the same right as other members of Australian society to respect for their worth and dignity and to live free from abuse, neglect and exploitation.
- 1.7 People with disability have the same right as other members of Australian society to pursue any grievance.
- 1.8 People with disability have the same right as other members of Australian society to be able to determine their own best interests, including the right to exercise choice and control, and to engage as equal partners in decisions that will affect their lives, to the full extent of their capacity.
- 1.9 People with disability should be supported in all their dealings and communications with the Agency so that their capacity to exercise choice and control is maximised in a way that is appropriate to their circumstances and cultural needs.
- 1.10 People with disability should have their privacy and dignity respected.
- 1.11 Reasonable and necessary supports for people with disability should:
  - (a) support people with disability to pursue their goals and maximise their independence;
  - (b) support people with disability to live independently and to be included in the community as fully participating citizens; and

- (c) develop and support the capacity of people with disability to undertake activities that enable them to participate in the community and in employment.
- 1.12 The role of families, carers and other significant persons in the lives of people with disability is to be acknowledged and respected.
- 1.13 The role of advocacy in representing the interests of people with disability is to be acknowledged and respected, recognising that advocacy supports people with disability by:
  - (a) promoting their independence and social and economic participation; and
  - (b) promoting choice and control in the pursuit of their goals and the planning and delivery of their supports; and
  - (c) maximising independent lifestyles of people with disability and their full inclusion in the community.
- 1.14 People with disability should be supported to receive supports outside the National Disability Insurance Scheme, and be assisted to coordinate these supports with the supports provided under the National Disability Insurance Scheme.
- 1.15 Innovation, quality, continuous improvement, contemporary best practice and effectiveness in the provision of supports to people with disability are to be promoted.
- 1.16 Positive personal and social development of people with disability, including children and young people, is to be promoted.

#### 2. SERVICES

The Territory is seeking to engage a Consultant that will provide:

- 2.1 Market sounding interviews with 25 Non Government Organisations who may be interested in the delivery of existing ACT Early Intervention Services;
- 2.2 Market sounding interviews with up to five (5) peak body organisations and wider providers in order to understand best practice delivery models for early intervention. This will provide insight into broader opportunities for improving service delivery as part of the transition of services from government;
- 2.3 High level desktop review to identify best practice models for early intervention;
- 2.4 Analysis of the outcome of sector conversations in order to inform the options available to government in any potential transitioning of services. This analysis will provide an overview of initial provider interest, capacity, capability, risks and recommissioning considerations. Soundings will also look to 'seed' market interest where possible.

#### 3. METHODODOLOGY

- 3.1 The Consultant will be required to deliver the services outlined below:
  - (1) Stage One establish a common understanding upfront and to ensure a smooth process which will include:
    - (a) confirming the project scope, purpose, milestones, key deliverable;

- (b) confirming the project management processes, roles and responsibilities of the Consultant and government (e.g. project governance, meetings, reporting, risk and issue capture and escalation etc.);
- (c) confirming confidentiality arrangements; and
- (d) finalise a draft interview scrip and confirm the list of providers/peak bodies to interview.

This stage will consider a project plan which outlines the key tasks, deliverables and milestones.

- 3.2 Stage Two perform the soundings regarding Early Intervention Services provided by the Territory. 25 providers will be interviewed as part of this stage. The consultancy will also include up to five (5) peak bodies/wider providers in order to identify and map leading practice in the delivery of early intervention services.
- 3.3 State Three report the outputs will be as follows:
  - (1) An overview of indicative levels of interest in the services as well as any areas of concern of perceived risk;
  - (2) Emerging finding with regards to extent to which providers have the capacity of capability to expand into service delivery, or are limited by factors such as financing or resourcing.
  - (3) An overview of service delivery best practice, and how a transition of services to the non government sector may facilitate the adoption of the best practice in the ACT;
  - (4) An assessment, based on the market soundings, regarding major risks facing government in achieving their service transition timetable; and
  - (5) An outline of next steps work that should be performed. These steps are likely to suggest a program of financial analysis, stakeholder engagement, formal market soundings and the development of procurement and tender specifications. The report will contain emerging thoughts within each of these areas as per the results of soundings, and highlight where further work should focus.

If, during the course of the Engagement, it is determined that adjustment to the engagement are required, then these adjustments will be discussed and agreed by both parties.

#### 4 TIMEFRAME

The Consultant will be required to deliver the Services in accordance with the following table:

	Milestone	Estimated Timing
1	Project initiation meeting	19 May 2014
2	Draft project plan and interview guide submitted	22 May 2014
3	Market soundings	22 May – 19 June 2014
4	Draft report submitted	27 June 2014
5	Final consultation report submitted	4 July 2014

#### 5 REPORTING

The Consultant will be required to submit to the Territory the following reports:

- (1) A draft project plan;
- (2) A draft report; and
- (3) A final report.

#### 6 BUDGET

The budget is capped to an amount of \$160,000 (GST exclusive).



## Shared Services Procurement Risk Management

Risk Management Pla	n: Title Page
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Project: Engagement for early intervention market sounding support

Project Objectives: To engage KPMG to undertake market soundings for early intervention for the ACT.

Created by:

Reviewed by: Kate Starick

Date:

ACTPS Sta	keholders			
SSP Officer	Responsible			
Risk	Risk Owners – Who is responsible for managing the	Risk	Who is responsible for managing risk treatments	?
Number	risk?	Number – from Part 2 Risk Treatments		
R1.	Director ACT NDIS Taskforce	R 1.		•
R 2.	Director ACT NDIS Taskforce	R 2.		
R 3.	Director ACT NDIS Taskforce	R 3.		,



#### Risk Criteria

		Insignificant .	Minor	Moderate	Major	Catastrophic
	People	Injuries or ailments not requiring	Minor injury or First Aid Treatment	Serious injury causing hospitalisation or	Life threatening injury or multiple	Death or multiple life threatening
	People	medical treatment.	Case.	multiple medical treatment cases.	serious injuries causing hospitalisation.	injuries.
Australian Capital Temory Insurance Authority	Reputation &	Internal Review	Scrutiny required by internal	Scrutiny required by external	Intense public, political and media	Assembly inquiry or Commission of
	Image	!	committees or internal audit to prevent escalation.	committees or ACT Auditor General's Office, or inquest, etc.	scrutiny. Eg: front page headlines, TV, etc.	inquiry or adverse national media.
		Limited effect to something of low	Transient, minor effects	Moderate, short-term environmental	Significant, medium-term	Long term environmental harm
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Mar Marrix	Business	Minor errors in systems or processes	Policy procedural rule occasionally not	One or more key accountability	Strategies not consistent with	Critical system failure, bad policy advice
	Process &	requiring corrective action, or minor	met or services do not fully meet needs.	requirements not met, Inconvenient but		or or going non-compliance. Business
	Systems	delay without impact on overall schedule.		not client welfare threatening.	service is degraded.	severely affected.
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#### Risk Control Effectiveness

Control Effectiveness	Guide
Adequate	Nothing more to be done except review and monitor the existing controls. Controls are well designed for the risk, are largely preventative and address the root causes and Management believes that they are effective.
Room for improvement	Most Controls are designed correctly and are in place and effective however there are some controls that are either not correctly designed or are not very effective. There may be an over-reliance on reactive controls. Some more work to be done to improve operating.
hadequate	Significant control gaps or no credible control. Either controls do not treat root causes or they do not operate effectively.  Controls if they exist are just reactive. Management has no confidence that any degree of control is being achieved due to poor control design and/or very limited operational effectiveness.

Priority	Suggested Timing of Treatment	Authority for controlled tolerance of risk
Extreme	Short term – normally within one month  Detailed action plan required	Director-General
High	Medium Term – normally within three months Senior Exe  Needs senior management attention	
Medium	Normally within 1 year  Specify management responsibility	. Managers
Low	Ongoing control as part of a management system  Manage by routine procedures	All Staff

#### Priority for Attention - Action

Every care should be taken to act as soon as possible to implement risk control measures where ever possible or to take action to fix the problem. Extreme Risks and High Risks especially where the risk relates to people & personal injury require us to act immediately to take steps to fix the problem.

The suggested timing of treatment does not mean that immediate action ought not be talen or that the timing can not be completed sooner than suggested.

When identifying, analysing and rating risk consideration should be given, but not necessarily limited to, the attached catagories of risk and the suggested examples of frequency and consequences.

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Risk Register Part 1 – Risk Identification

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Risk Reference	Description of the risk	Drivers to the risk	effect	
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R 1.	Delay in the Procurement Process.	<ul> <li>Procurement process is not</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Unable to have an agreement in</li> </ul>	
		completed on time.	place within an agreed	Director, ACT NDIS Taskforce.
1. [1		<ul> <li>The Statement of Requirement</li> </ul>	timeframe.	
		does not fully address the	<ul> <li>No tenders received.</li> </ul>	
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R 2.	Failure to proactively manage key	<ul> <li>Insufficient communications</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Political and/or media attention.</li> </ul>	Director, ACT NDIS Taskforce.
1. ]]	relationships/insufficient	stakeholders.	<ul> <li>Services not delivered.</li> </ul>	
	consultation with key stakeholders.	<ul> <li>Lost credibility with the</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Poor planning outcomes for</li> </ul>	
1 1.1		sector/conflicting messages.	launch of NDIS.	
R 4.	Breakdown in negotiations with the	<ul> <li>Services Agreement is not</li> </ul>	Services unable to commence.	Director, ACT NDIS Taskforce.
	preferred Consultant.	entered into with the preferred		
	10	Consultant.		
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		political attention.	, t	
		<ul> <li>Negative community feedback.</li> </ul>		
		<ul> <li>Negative impact on the</li> </ul>		
		Directorate's reputation.		
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	Risk Controls which are currently in place		Risk Rating			Action to be taken  Where rating is rated as "Room for Improvement" or "inadequate" include further risk treatment strategies or a	officer ment of	Risk rating following additional risk controls		ıting	Monitoring and reviewing Monitored by whom. Include details about	
Risk Reference	This field is for the risk controls that already exist and are currently managing the risk	Consequence	Likelihood of	Inherent Risk Rating	Control Effectiveness R	rationale behind no further action  Reference can be made to an attaching  "cost / benefit analysis" or "risk treatment  action plan" for relevant risks.	Risk Treatment Owner – offi responsible for Management	Consequence	Likelihood of	Residual Risk Rating	Control Effectiveness rating	frequency of monitoring in addition to the final review. Where appropriate refer to a "risk treatment plan."
R 1.	Project to be treated as a priority to ensure Services Agreement is developed with no unavoidable delays.	Minor	Unlikely	Medium	Adequate							
R 2.	Consultation meetings to be held with the stake holders.	Moderate	Possible	Medium	Adequate							
R 4.	Establishment of timelines included in the Agreement.  The Territory will liaise closely with the Consultant regarding timeline delays.	Minor	Unlikely	Medium	Adequate							

## Negotiation Plan

#### **Contract Negotiations**

This Negotiation Plan sets out the arrangements for contract negotiations to be held between Community Services Directorate and KPMG.

#### 1) Contract Negotiation Panel

### A) Composition of the Negotiation Panel.

The following Directorate representatives have been identified to conduct contract negotiations:

Negotiation Panel Members	Role						
-Kate-Starick	Chairperson						
Jacinta Evans	Member						
Richard Baumgart	Member						

If, at the time of conducting the negotiation/s, a panel member is unavailable an alternative panel member with comparable experience and knowledge will be identified.

#### B) Where required, the Negotiation Panel will be assisted by:

External advisor	Role
ACT Government Solicitor's Office	Legal advice
Shared Services Procurement	Procurement advice

The CSD Contracts and Grants Unit will provide assistance where required.

#### 2) Contract Negotiation Process

The Negotiation Panel will be responsible for conducting negotiations with the KPMG and will recommend further action to the delegate. The Negotiation Panel will be responsible for ensuring that, during the course of the negotiations, all entities are given equal and fair opportunity.

#### A) Role of the Negotiation Panel

The role of the Negotiation Panel is to:

- 1) Conduct contract negotiations with KPMG on the terms and conditions of the contract.
- 2) Seek advice as required.
- 3) Prepare a negotiation report, including recommendations to the Delegate.

#### B) Strategies for Managing Negotiations:

- 1) Without prior consultation or agreement from the Negotiation Panel, no position is to be discussed on a contentious issue.
- 2) When required by either party, a break should be taken to enable the parties to consider their position.

### C) Meetings

- 1) A timetable and the anticipated goals for each meeting will be forwarded to the Consultant prior to the meeting, in order to ensure that both parties are given equal opportunity to prepare and respond to the issues under consideration.
- 2) All parties will be provided equal opportunity during the negotiations to discuss their issues, including the provision of access to appropriate facilities. Meetings may be attended by legal and/or probity advisors. All discussions during meetings will be documented.
- 3) The negotiation timetable will take into account the possible imposition caused by public holidays or anytime required for travel to attend meetings and will build in contingency's for these issues.

### D) Issues to be discussed

The following issues will be addressed during contract negotiations:

- 1) Compliance requirements and terms and conditions of the Services Agreement.
- 2) Definition of the Services.
- 3) Clarification of what service model will be applied.
- 4) Project Deliverables.
- 5) Outputs, Performance Indicators and Reporting requirements.
- E) Termination of contract negotiations
  - 1) Without limiting its rights, the Territory may, at its sole discretion, cease negotiating with the KPMG at any time.
  - 2) If the Territory, at its sole discretion, concludes during negotiations with the KPMG retract or attempt to retract any part of its offer, the Territory reserves the right to terminate the negotiation process.

From:

Starick, Kate

Sent:

Monday, 19 May 2014 2:06 PM

To:

Doyle, Nicki, Durham, Amity, Sheehan, Maureen, Gniel, Stephen, Mitchell, Beth, Barr,

Iain; Whitten, Meredith; Evans, Jacinta

Subject:

RE: Project Initiation Meeting - Market sounding support for early intervention

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Dear all

Please find link to Government as provider sheets

Regards

Kate

Kate Starick | Director |

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From: Doyle, Nicki [mailto:ndoyle@kpmg.com.au]

Sent: Monday, 19 May 2014 11:09 AM

To: Durham, Amity; Starick, Kate; Sheehan, Maureen; Gniel, Stephen; Mitchell, Beth; Barr, Iain; Whitten, Meredith;

Evans, Jacinta

Subject: Project Initiation Meeting - Market sounding support for early intervention

When: Monday, 19 May 2014 12:00 PM-1:00 PM (UTC+10:00) Canberra, Melbourne, Sydney.

Where: Lync Meeting

Hi everyone,

Please find details below for the project initiation meeting.

Regards,

Nicki

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Baumgart, Richard

Sent:

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To:

Starick, Kate

Subject:

27Role of Government as Service Provider - Fact Sheets

Attachments:

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Hi Kate

Is this what you were after?

I've attached the education fact sheet although I understand you have it.

http://www.communityservices.act.gov.au/disability\_act/role-of-government-national-disability-insurance-scheme

Richard Baumgart | Director | Phone <u>02 6205 1522</u> | Disability ACT | Community Services Directorate | ACT Government 153 Emu Bank Belconnen | PO Box 158 Canberra City 2601 | <u>www.act.gov.au</u>



### Factsheet

### Subject: Early Intervention Programs delivered by ETD

- Early intervention is a highly valued service that is included in the NDIS because support provided early in the lives of children with developmental delay or disability leads to better outcomes for them and their families over the long term.
- The ACT Government currently delivers early intervention programs for children through the Education and Training Directorate.
- In April 2014, 302 children were accessing early intervention programs in 51 groups located across 17 school sites.
- Group sizes vary according to the disability and age of the children.
- Eighteen of the 302 children received sensory impairment support at home. Home support is available to children from birth to preschool.
- 49 of the 302 children were in playgroups for 2-3 year olds with disability, developmental delay or at risk of developmental delay.
- Children are in early intervention programs for varying lengths of time. The aim is for children to transition to a mainstream preschool or school program or enrol in a specialist school.

# Current early intervention programs administered by the Education and Training Directorate

- Early Intervention Playgroups (EIP) for children aged two with a developmental delay or disability
- Early Intervention Home Education Programs (HEP) for children with a sensory impairment from diagnosis to preschool entry
- Early Intervention Units (EIU) for children with a developmental delay or disability or at risk of a developmental delay aged three to school entry,
- Language Intervention Unit (LIU) for children with a language delay aged three to school entry,
- Early Childhood Centres (ECC) for children with a mild developmental delay or disability, aged three to school entry
- Autism Intervention Units (AIU) for children with a diagnosis of autism
   disorder aged three to school entry
- Early Childhood Units (ECU) for children with a mild to moderate developmental delay or disability aged three to school entry

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## Impact of NDIS

- ETD Early Intervention programs and services will be cashed-out in the ACT transition to the NDIS.
- ECU programs for preschool aged children will not be cashed-out. These programs are specialist school preschool programs with the majority of children in these groups transitioning to a specialist school for primary school.

Director: BETH MITCHELL | Phone: 57029 | Updated: 12 May 2014

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## **Backgrounder: Demographics - Clients**

## Supported Accommodation Disability ACT

- Disability ACT provides support to 157 people with a disability living in supported accommodation.
- Approximate hours of service are 481,700 annually (2013-14 data)
- Support is provided 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.
- Disability ACT supports residents in 58 households across Canberra.

### **Therapy Services**

- In 2012-2013 Therapy ACT provided service to:
  - o 4,736 clients
  - 1,515 were provided with brief consultation services through a Drop-in Clinic or Intake Service
  - o 3,221 were accepted as clients for a therapy program

Data is collected on all those clients provided with a therapy program throughout the year under the National Disability Agreement National Minimum Data Set reporting requirements

From:

Starick, Kate

Sent:

Monday, 19 May 2014 2:17 PM

To:

Johnston, Claire

Subject:

31FW: Therapy ACT forum for the website

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Therapy ACT Forum Invite.pdf

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Yes please

Kate

And out through comms channels in CSD, ETD

Thanks Kate

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From: Johnston, Claire

Sent: Monday, 19 May 2014 2:08 PM

To: Starick, Kate

Subject: RE: Therapy ACT forum for the website

Kate, are you happy for this to go up now?

From: Starick, Kate

Sent: Friday, 16 May 2014 4:50 PM

To: Johnston, Claire

Subject: RE: Therapy ACT forum for the website

Not yet. After Minister's meeting

Thanks though looks good!

Kate Starick | Director |

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To: Starick, Kate

Subject: Therapy ACT forum for the website

Kate are you happy for this to go on the website?

For the website:

Please update on this page before 'Am I Eligible':

http://www.communityservices.act.gov.au/disability act/national disability insurance scheme/ndis-update

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See attached invitation (link to attached invite)

Also insert in the Public Calendar:

Event Name:

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Start Date:

2 June, 12PM

End Date:

2 June, 2PM

Duration:

2 hours

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From:

Starick, Kate

Sent:

Monday, 19 May 2014 2:26 PM

To:

Johnston, Claire

Subject:

32RE: Draft media release for therapy forum

Categories:

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Hi Claire

Looks good.

Could you please forward to Maria and we'll also forward to NDIA

Cheers

·Kate

Kate Starick | Director |

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From:

Holt, Lyn on behalf of CSD\_Disability\_RelationshipManagement

Sent:

Monday, 19 May 2014 2:32 PM

Subject:

33FW: NDIS Community Forum - Therapy in the ACT

Attachments:

Therapy ACT Forum Invite.pdf

Categories:

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Good afternoon

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Regards,

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From:

Starick, Kate

Sent:

Monday, 19 May 2014 3:02 PM

To:

Whitten, Meredith; Baumgart, Richard; Sutton, Vanessa

Subject:

34FW: Draft media release for therapy forum

Attachments:

NDIS, therapy and early intervention community forum docx

Categories:

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FYI

Seeking feedback from NDIA and Minister's office

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From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject:	PAULL, Jillian [Jillian.PAULL@ndis.gov.au] Tuesday, 20 May 2014 8:17 AM Starick, Kate; TIBBITTS, Alice Sheehan, Maureen 41RE: June 2 Forum - Therapy in the ACT [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]	
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Hi Jillian Thank you. I've had feedback to short What do you think?.	en Minister and DG time to allow more time for NDIA and Q&A panel	
Cheers Kate		
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Jillian Paull		

ACT Trial Site Manager

National Disability Insurance Agency

From: Starick, Kate [mailto:Kate.Starick@act.gov.au]

**Sent:** Monday, 19 May 2014 3:25 PM **To:** TIBBITTS, Alice; PAULL, Jillian

Cc: Sheehan, Maureen

Subject: June 2 Forum - Therapy in the ACT

	Time	Speaker	Topic
ĺ	12.00 -	KPMG	Introductions, housekeeping, purpose
	12.10		
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- 1	12.30	Burch	
	12.30 -	DG CSD	Background and context to Therapy ACT and planned timeline for
l	12.45		commencement of services and approach
	12.45	NDIA	Early Intervention and best practice models under the NDIS
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	13.15 –	KPMG	Summary and introduction of panel members and Q&A
	13.30		
	13.30 -	KPMG	Facilitated Panel Q&A
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			CSD
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ļ	1		NDIA .
			NDIS Taskforce
	13.50 –	DG ·	Summary and next steps
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Proposed running sheet above.

### Some initial thoughts:

The aim of the day is to start parents, families and providers thinking about early intervention and therapy under the NDIA

What can families expect

What are best practice models that providers should seek to develop or expand

Also to include discussion about the staged withdrawal and expansion of options in the ACT.

The group involved in the development of the forum are

ETD - Stephen Gniel, Ian Barr and Jo Monteith

CSD - Meredith Whitten and Jacinta Evans

NDIS Taskforce – Kate and Maureen (on her return)

KPMG – Nicki

NDIA – Jillian Paull. Will also follow up Mary Hawkins' availability for 2 June

Thanks again participating. Would appreciate any or all comments.

Regards

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Kate Starick | Director |-

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From:

Evans, Jacinta

Sent:

Tuesday, 20 May 2014 9:24 AM

To:

Whitten, Meredith; Starick, Kate; Johnston, Claire

Subject:

43RE: Draft media release for therapy forum

Categories:

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Hi Meredith

That looks good. No comments from me.

Cheers

Jacinta

From: Whitten, Meredith

Sent: Tuesday, 20 May 2014 8:27 AM

**To:** Evans, Jacinta; Starick, Kate; Johnston, Claire **Subject:** FW: Draft media release for therapy forum

Hi Jacinta

For your comments?

It looks good to me. With thanks

Meredith Whitten | Executive Director |

Phone 620 71475 | Fax 620 71371 | Mobile 0419 426 308

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From:

Mitchell, Malcome

Sent:

Tuesday, 20 May 2014 11:01 AM Starick, Kate

To:

Cc:

Baumgart, Richard; Luck, Surangani

Subject:

Draft Short Form Contract - Engagement of early intervention market sounding support

Attachments:

Draft Short Form Contract 20 May 2014 MM.docx

Morning Kate

Please find attached the draft Short Form Contract for KPMG.

Can you please review and clarify the yellow highlights.

If you agree and once the Procurement Plan has been approved. I will amend to a final version and have it bound for signature.

Would you also have a word version of KPMG's proposal. That way I can attach to the Agreement.

Regards

Malcome Mitchell | Senior Contracts Officer | Phone 02 6205 3529 | Fax 02 6207 2047 | Contracts and Grants Unit | Community Services Directorate | ACT Government Level I, 153 Emu Bank Belconnen ACT 2617 | PO Box 158, Canberra City ACT 2601 | www.act.gov.au

From:

Doyle, Nicki [ndoyle@kpmg.com.au]

Sent:

Tuesday, 20 May 2014 11:21 AM

To:

Starick, Kate

Cc:

Sheehan, Maureen; Durham, Amity; Gniel, Stephen; Mitchell, Beth; Barr, lain; Whitten,

Meredith: Evans, Jacinta

Subject: Attachments:

Amended proposal for market soundings ACT Early intervention proposal.pdf

Dear Kate.

As discussed yesterday, please find attached the amended proposal for the market soundings opportunity for early intervention services.

Please feel free to contact me if you wish to discuss further.

Regards,

Nicki

Nicki Doyle

Associate Director Government Advisory Services Advisory

KPMG 147 Collins Street Melbourne VIC 3000 Australia

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Subject:

44NDIS Community Forum - Therapy in the ACT - Monday 2 June 2014

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When:

Monday 2 June 2014 12:00 PM - 02:00 PM

Where:

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From:

Starick, Kate

Sent:

Tuesday, 20 May 2014 12:09 PM

To:

SCHULTZ, Kristine

Subject:

45RE: FW: Therapy in the ACT - NDIS Community Forum [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

Categories:

possible

Hi Kristine

Thank you

Are you able to advise NDIA attendees?

Regards Kate

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----Original Appointment----

From: SCHULTZ, Kristine [mailto:Kristine.SCHULTZ@ndis.gov.au]

Sent: Tuesday, 20 May 2014 11:55 AM

To: Starick, Kate

**Subject:** Accepted: FW: Therapy in the ACT - NDIS Community Forum [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED] **When:** Monday, 2 June 2014 12:00 PM-2:00 PM (UTC+10:00) Canberra, Melbourne, Sydney.

Where: Hedley Beare CTL, 51 Fremantle Drive, Stirling, ACT

From:

Johnston, Claire

Sent:

Tuesday, 20 May 2014 1:43 PM

To:

Starick, Kate, King, Sarah

Subject:

48FW: Community notices, Canberra Times

Attachments:

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Categories:

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Are we happy to go ahead with this?

From: Caldwell, Anna

**Sent:** Tuesday, 20 May 2014 1:36 PM

To: Johnston, Claire

Subject: RE: Community notices, Canberra Times

Hi Claire

Yes this is possible. We do this through CMTD who coordinate it. The cut off for Saturday's paper is lunchtime on Tuesday – I've just checked and they have agreed to take our ad to go into this weekend's paper if that's when you would like it?

You just need to send through the approved text to me, similar to what you gave me yesterday. Standard ads range between \$300-\$400. I've attached an example of an arts one that was \$366.

Let me know if you would like to proceed.

Thanks

Anna

Anna Caldwell | A/g Senior Manager

T: 02 6205 0619 | F: 02 6205 0279 M: 0478 401 117

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Community Services Directorate

From: Johnston, Claire

Sent: Tuesday, 20 May 2014 12:29 PM

To: Caldwell, Anna

Subject: Community notices, Canberra Times

Hi Anna,

We were wondering if it's possible to advertise the upcoming therapy/NDIS community forum, and a housing symposium we are hosting, in the Canberra Times' community noticeboard – what are the protocols around that kind of thing?

Ta,

Claire

Claire Johnston | Community Engagement Officer

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By Michaela Whitbourn and Kate McClymont

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#### NOTICES

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Drop-In session details: Dates and Times: 5.00pm-7.00pm Thursday 15 May 2014 or 11.30am-1.30pm Saturday 17 May 2014.

Cocastion (Gongashin Library, Corner of Hibberson and Gozzard Streets.

Questions may also be emailed to the Economic Development Directorate Community Engagement team at EDDCommunity Packagoza or call 62 (879 0007 For Inter-updates) and Information, please visit www.economicvedeolopment.Astr. (1970 200

#### HEALTHIER WORK RECOGNITION SCHEME AND REBATE

Healther Work, the ACT Government's free womphace health and wellbeing support service has developed the Healther Work Recognition Scheme, to acknowledge and reward ACT Business commitment to the workplace health and wellbaing surriers.

NextH win twin the Program for the Month of SSUB Rehale is available for eligible workplaces to support To complement the Program following positive steps to creating a healthier workplace for their employees engisyers thet are committed to making positive steps to creating a healthier workplace for their employees Applications for the Healthier Work Recognition Scheme and Rebate will be accepted from Monday 12 May 2014 until Erliday 24 April 2015 Contribute Apply, you www. haalthierwork.actg ovasu or contact Hoether Work at healthierwork/act.ogsava or 07 07:0075 1956 for more information.

Healther Work forms part of a pent Australian, State and Territory government initiative under the National Partnership Agreement on Presentive Health.

#### ACT ARTS FUND - 2015 PROJECT FUNDING OPEN

Applications are invited from ATT incliniduals, groups and organizations, withing to undertake one-off arts project for ATTs.

Online applications for 2015 Project Funding will dose 5,00pm 27 June 2014.

Ad applicants are encouraged to attend an Information Session:
Wheni Wednesday 21 May 2014 5,30pm to 6,30pm
Where: Main Hall, Ainsile Arts Centre, Clouera St, Braddon

For extreinformation yest www.arts.act.gov.au or phone 67 6707 2384

### MAJOR TRAFFIC SWITCH ON STREETON DRIVE AND COTTER ROAD AND RE-OPENING OF DIXON DRIVE FROM WEDNESDAY 21 May 2014

Cold Chil will be undertoking a new major traffic switch along Cotter Road and Streeton Drive from 21 May 2014. This was above scheduled infrastructure works to be undertaken on behalf of the ACT Government as part of the Cotter Road Streeton Drive interrection upgrade.

The intersection works vall continue until late August 2014

For future information, please with the Economic Development Directorate website www.aconomicdevelopment.act.gov.au or contact John Husband, the Senter Project Manager, on 9505-37200-1961h.husband.get.ct.gov.au.

### DROP-IN INFORMATION SESSIONS - DEVELOPMENT OPTIONS FOR THE FORMER HIGGINS PRIMARY SCHOOL AND ADJOINING DECOMMISSIONED OVAL SITES

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When: 4.30pm-6.30pm Wednesday, 21 May 2014 or 11.00am-1,00pm Saturday, 24 May 2014, Where: Raiders Club Belconners, 152 Hardwick Crescent Hölt (Raiders Löurige).

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#### FEEDBACK INVITED ON PRELIMINARY SKETCH PLANS FOR EVATT AND FLOREY SHOPS

The community is invited to provide feedback on the preliminary sketch plans for Evalt and Florey shops Feedback received from the community in September 2011 has helped inform the design proposals for the force upgrade of public's paces, at the Evalt and Florey shopping centres.

Diaprin sessions will be held a both shopping centres on Saturday 17 May 2014. You are encouraged to come along to Eval Detivate 9 Odomand 11.00wm and to Recky between 11.30km and 1.30pm to view the plens and placeds for data. Alternatively you can visit the Betwomen Library to view the plans and complete a hardcopy feedback form.

For more information and to complete an online feedback form visit www.timetotalk.act.gov.au or call Conterna Connect on 13.22.81 Consultation closes 18 June 2014.

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### Keeping Canberra in the know. TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURES

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ALEXANDRINA DRIVE: between Flynn Drive and Novar Street.

HOPETOUN CIRCUIT: at the intersection with Alexandrina Drive.

NOVAR STREET; at the intersection with Alexandrina Drive

FLYNN DRIVE: northbound between Alexandona Drive and Langton Crescent. BROWN STREET; at the intersection with Banks Street.

PARKES PLACE: at the east and west intersections with King Edward Terrace.
KING EDWARD TERRACE: between Langton Crescent and Dorothy Tangney Piace

TIME: from 7.30am to 9.00am on Sunday 18 May 2014

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REASON: building construction works associated with the Canborra Raiders Sports club extension Any person wishing to comment on this notice may contact Colin Evans on 02 6207 6821.

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TIME: 7,00a:n to-5,00pm Saturday 17 May and Saturday 21 June 2014, 8,00am to 5,00pm Sunday 18 May. Sunday 22 June 2014.

BEASON: crane lift of scaffold materials.

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TIME: 6.00pm to 6.00am (rightly) every night except Enday night. From Monday 19 May 2014 to Thursday 31 July 2014.

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The National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) will affect how therapy and early intervention services in the ACT are delivered.

You are invited to hear from experts, families and the ACT Government about how therapy and early intervention will work with the NDIS. This is a forum for: Therapy ACT clients and their families; parents of children accessing early intervention services; service providers; and disability sector workers.

When: Monday 2 June 2014 12.00pm - 2.00pm

Where: Hedley Beare Centre Hall, 51 Fremantle Dr, Stirling

To RSVP and for accessibility assistance call (02) 6205 1372 or email <a href="mailto:ndis@act.gov.au">ndis@act.gov.au</a>

#### Housing and the NDIS Symposium

A series of events will be held to draw attention to the challenges and opportunities the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) will present to the social and community housing sector in the ACT.

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When: Wednesday 28 May 2014 9.30am - 12.30pm

Where: Apollo Room, Hellenic Club, Woden

Please RSVP to ndis@act.gov.au

From: Caldwell, Anna

Sent: Tuesday, 20 May 2014 1:36 PM

To: Johnston, Claire

Subject: RE: Community notices, Canberra Times

Hi Claire

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You just need to send through the approved text to me, similar to what you gave me yesterday. Standard ads range between \$300-\$400. I've attached an example of an arts one that was \$366.

Let me know if you would like to proceed.

Thanks Anna

Anna Caldwell | A/g Senior Manager

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Community Services Directorate

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Sent: Tuesday, 20 May 2014 12:29 PM

To: Caldwell, Anna

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Ta, Claire

Claire Johnston | Community Engagement Officer|

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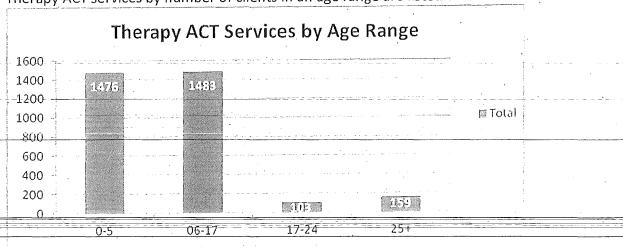
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Doyle, Nicki; Evans, Jacinta; Whitten, Meredith FW: Evidence for Early Intervention Models

Subject: Attachments:

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Hi Nicki

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Cheers

Kate

Kate Starick | Director |

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The ACT Government will also withdraw from therapy services by December 2016.

The following papers have extensive reference lists for further reading.

### Summary of Trends in Early Childhood Intervention Settings

The following literature provides some considerations in planning the future of Early Intervention in the ACT, once the current programs cease at the end of 2014.

To identify best practice models for children with delay or disability it is important to consider both literature from the education sector, as well as literature from specialist fields such as early intervention allied health therapies. Each of these areas has some difference in their philosophies and terminology.

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This overview provides brief information regarding some of the themes, philosophies and approaches used within current and emerging Early Childhood Intervention Services practice. These include:

- Family centred practice
- Functional assessment, goal setting and outcome measurement tools
- Supported Inclusion in Mainstream settings
- Natural Learning Environments and Universal Design
- Community Capacity Building
- Integrated Service Centres
- Transdisciplinary and key worker models
- Consultative service delivery

LINK: http://www.eciavic.org.au/documents/item/26

### 2. Early Childhood Intervention Australia (ECIA)

A-report from the Early-Childhood-Intervention Australia (ECIA) explores stakeholder views in relation to the inclusion of children with a disability in early childhood education and care services. The ECIA has used this report as a basis for a joint position statement with Early Childhood Australia regarding Inclusion.

Page 38 and 39-key considerations-

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   Childhood Education and Care (ECEC) staff, including ongoing Professional
   Development, mentoring and clear standards for the practice of inclusion.
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- The child and-family as contributors and partners, family considered a critical part of the team.
- Support for transitions.

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LINK: Report from the Early Childhood Intervention Australia (ECIA)

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Full inclusion involves more than access. For children with disabilities, simply attending an early childhood program or a community facility is not enough to ensure that they benefit from the experience. Benefits only accrue when the child develops skills that allow them to participate meaningfully in the activities. Children with disabilities or developmental delays generally have more complex learning needs, which means developing these skills and engaging and participating in a meaningful way in these settings will depend heavily on the presence of significant relationships and the provision of supportive learning opportunities and experiences.

### LINK:

http://www.rch.org.au/uploadedFiles/Main/Content/ccch/profdev/ECIA\_National\_Conference\_2012.pdf

# 4. Early Intervention and Education: the Broader Context

A report by the Benevolent Society investigates the potential of Early Intervention to improve the outcomes of Australian Children, especially children experiencing disadvantage. A multi level approach which a targets program and direct service level, community and service system and structural and societal level interventions.

Common characteristics of effective early intervention programs.

- Targeting high risk or highly disadvantaged children (including children with developmental delay or developmental disability)
- Sufficient duration and intensity
- Include direct teaching such as an education professional delivering program directly to children
- Starting early
- El programs cannot be considered in isolation from Community and service level approaches e.g social support, social factors, collaboration between government and non government services to support families.

Provision of free or low preschool for 3 year olds to children experiencing significant disadvantage could help to ameliorate some of the impacts of disadvantage. Translated into practice, the current model in the ACT which provides Early Intervention Units (EIUs) for children with developmental delay, does report benefits for some children whose development may be affected by levels of disadvantage.

LINK: Benevolent Society: How prevention and early action saves money and improves wellbeing

#### 5. ACT Child Development System of Care

ACT Government (2014). Stimulus Paper: Background paper to Inform the Review of the ACT Child Development System of Care. ACT Government, Medicare Local, ACT; Murdoch Children's Research Institute



Child Development Service System Work

The Stimulus Paper informs the review of the ACT Child Development System of Care and discusses:

- the importance of the early years,
- social and environmental change in Australia
- The rationale for early intervention and prevention
- The ACT context
- Possible frameworks for the future.

## Other useful references

The early education of socioeconomically disadvantaged children. Arnold DH1, Doctoroff GL. Annu Rev Psychol. 2003;54:517-45. Epub 2002 Jun 10.

#### **Abstract**

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## Services for Children with Autism

## Helping Children with Autism Package Information

This website contains a number of reports regarding Best Practice Information in relation services for children with Autism. This includes Intervention Models and also a report on the Autism Specific Early Learning and Care Centres.

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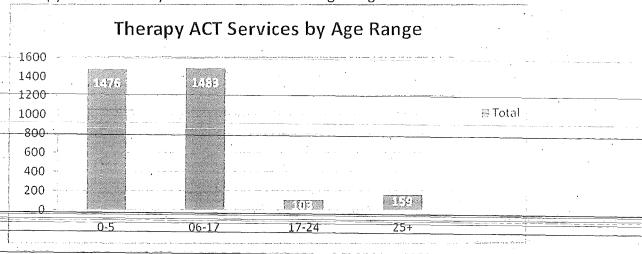
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- Input and close links with specialist services such as Early Intervention Counsellors and Therapy ACT Allied Health Professionals;
- —Transition planning and links with mainstream and/or future education settings.

The ACT Government will also withdraw from therapy services by December 2016.

The following papers have extensive reference lists for further reading.

# Summary of Trends in Early Childhood Intervention Settings

The following literature provides some considerations in planning the future of Early Intervention in the ACT, once the current programs cease at the end of 2014.

To identify best practice models for children with delay or disability it is important to consider both literature from the education sector, as well as literature from specialist fields such as early intervention allied health therapies. Each of these areas has some difference in their philosophies and terminology.

# 1. Victorian Chapter of Early Childhood Intervention Australia (ECIA)

This overview provides brief information regarding some of the themes, philosophies and approaches used within current and emerging Early Childhood Intervention Services practice. These include:

- Family centred practice
- Functional assessment, goal setting and outcome measurement tools
- Supported Inclusion in Mainstream settings
- Natural Learning Environments and Universal Design
- Community Capacity Building
- Integrated Service Centres
- Transdisciplinary and key worker models
- Consultative service delivery

LINK: <a href="http://www.eciavic.org.au/documents/item/26">http://www.eciavic.org.au/documents/item/26</a>

## 2. Early Childhood Intervention Australia (ECIA)

A report from the Early Childhood Intervention Australia (ECIA) explores stakeholder views in relation to the inclusion of children with a disability in early childhood education and care services. The ECIA has used this report as a basis for a joint position statement with Early Childhood Australia regarding Inclusion.

Page 38-and 39-key-considerations-

- Inclusive Education relies on a skilled and stable workforce- building capacity of Early Childhood Education and Care (ECEC) staff, including ongoing Professional Development, mentoring and clear standards for the practice of inclusion.
- Collaboration between ECEC educators and professionals to achieve positive outcomes is critical, including appropriate adaption of curriculum, provision of appropriate resources adopting a strengths based approach.
- The child and family as contributors and partners, family considered a critical part of the team.
- Support for transitions.

This document did raise the difficulty between translating policy into practice, given service capabilities, including resourcing. It was beyond the scope of this document to compare Inclusion Models with Special Education Settings.

LINK: Report from the Early Childhood Intervention Australia (ECIA)

# 3. Rethinking early childhood services

Moore (2012) in an address to the 10th Biennial National Conference of Early Childhood Intervention Australia, and the 1st Asia-Pacific Early Childhood Intervention Conference, discusses in a great detail some of the barriers to inclusion for children with disabilities. His address explores changes in thinking about the outcomes we want for children such as developing capabilities (rather than 'reaching potential'), meaningful participation (vs social exclusion or marginalisation), and quality of life.

Moore discusses key learning environments for children, including with their family, with early childhood education and care (ECEC) services and community settings playing an increasingly important role as the children grow older. Moore advocates intervention which targets meaningful environments

Moore refers to participation in terms of *inclusion*, noting that the inclusion advocacy is based on the understanding that full inclusion is a necessary component of learning to participate meaningfully in community life and is essential for the development and participation of children with disabilities and developmental delays. While supporting inclusion Moore explores some of the necessary components for successful learning in an inclusive setting and also some of the barriers.

Full inclusion involves more than access. For children with disabilities, simply attending an early childhood program or a community facility is not enough to ensure that they benefit from the experience. Benefits only accrue when the child develops skills that allow them to participate meaningfully in the activities. Children with disabilities or developmental delays generally have more complex learning needs, which means developing these skills and engaging and participating in a meaningful way in these settings will depend heavily on the presence of significant relationships and the provision of supportive learning opportunities and experiences.

#### LINK:

http://www.rch.org.au/uploadedFiles/Main/Content/ccch/profdev/ECIA-National-Conference\_2012.pdf

## 4. Early Intervention and Education: the Broader Context

A report by the Benevolent Society investigates the potential of Early Intervention to improve the outcomes of Australian Children, especially children experiencing disadvantage. A multi level approach which a targets program and direct service level, community and service system and structural and societal level interventions.

Common characteristics of effective early intervention programs.

- Targeting high risk or highly disadvantaged children (including children with developmental delay or developmental disability)
- Sufficient duration and intensity
- Include direct teaching such as an education professional delivering program directly to children
- Starting early
- El programs cannot be considered in isolation from Community and service level approaches e.g social support, social factors, collaboration between government and non government services to support families.

Provision of free or low preschool for 3 year olds to children experiencing significant disadvantage could help to ameliorate some of the impacts of disadvantage. Translated into practice, the current model in the ACT which provides Early Intervention Units (EIUs) for children with developmental delay, does report benefits for some children whose development may be affected by levels of disadvantage.

LINK: Benevolent Society: How prevention and early action saves money and improves wellbeing

## 5. ACT Child Development System of Care

ACT Government (2014). Stimulus Paper: Background paper to Inform the Review of the ACT Child Development System of Care. ACT Government, Medicare Local, ACT; Murdoch Children's Research Institute



Child Development Service System Work

The Stimulus Paper informs the review of the ACT Child Development System of Care and discusses:

- the importance of the early years,
  - social and environmental change in Australia
- The rationale for early intervention and prevention
- The ACT context
- Possible frameworks for the future.

#### Other useful references

The early education of socioeconomically disadvantaged children. Arnold DH1, Doctoroff GL. Annu Rev Psychol. 2003;54:517-45. Epub 2002 Jun 10.

#### **Abstract**

This chapter reviews selected research on the education of low-socioeconomic status (SES) children from birth through the first years of elementary school. Themes include the importance of early academic skills and interest to later achievement; the benefits of integrating knowledge from research on mental health and other areas; the need to utilize and build children's strengths as well as address their weaknesses; and a call to connect research to practice and policy. Relevant research on race and culture is reviewed because ethnic minority low-SES children are at great risk of poverty. Gender is discussed because low-SES boys have poorer general achievement than girls, while very few low-SES girls pursue careers in math- and science-related fields.

## Services for Children with Autism

# Helping Children with Autism Package Information

This website contains a number of reports regarding Best Practice Information in relation services for children with Autism. This includes Intervention Models and also a report on the Autism Specific Early Learning and Care Centres.

From:

Gniel, Stephen

Sent:

Wednesday, 21 May 2014 9:14 AM

To:

Starick, Kate

Cc:

Sheehan, Maureen; Mitchell, Beth; Barr, Iain; Whitten, Meredith; Evans, Jacinta

Subject:

RE: Amended proposal for market soundings

Kate

ETD endorse this amended proposal. Thank you for including our suggested changes.

Steve

From: Doyle, Nicki [mailto:ndoyle@kpmg.com.au]

**Sent:** Tuesday, 20 May 2014 11:21 AM

To: Starick, Kate

Cc: Sheehan, Maureen; Durham, Amity; Gniel, Stephen; Mitchell, Beth; Barr, Iain; Whitten, Meredith; Evans, Jacinta

**Subject:** Amended proposal for market soundings

Dear Kate,

As discussed yesterday, please find attached the amended proposal for the market soundings opportunity for early intervention services.

Please feel free to contact me if you wish to discuss further.

Regards,

Nicki

Nicki Doyle

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To: Subject: Starick, Kate; TIBBITTS, Alice; Sheehan, Maureen 57RE: June 2 Forum - Therapy in the ACT [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

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Hi Kate

We're talking this over tomorrow so will come back to you then

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Jillian Paull

**ACT Trial Site Manager** 

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From: Starick, Kate [mailto:Kate.Starick@act.gov.au]

Sent: Wednesday, 21 May 2014 5:52 PM

To: PAULL, Jillian; TIBBITTS, Alice; Sheehan, Maureen

Subject: FW: June 2 Forum - Therapy in the ACT [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

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Please find amended Agenda.

Jillian, have been thinking and talking it over – would you like to present at this forum intro re NDIS, early intervention and sector development (can discuss messaging at our meeting next week). If the workshop for the 10 th June is set, this could be promoted at this forum, especially if there is not sufficient time for Mary to work through her information?

Will send out another email shortly for actions for all

Cheers

Kate

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13.50 – 14.00	DG	Summary and next steps

Proposed running sheet above.

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CSD - Meredith Whitten and Jacinta Evans

NDIS Taskforce - Kate and Maureen (on her return)

KPMG - Nicki

NDIA - Jillian Paull. Will also follow up Mary Hawkins' availability for 2 June

Thanks again participating. Would appreciate any or all comments.

Regards

Kate

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Starick, Kate

Sent:

Wednesday, 21 May 2014 6:12 PM

To:

Johnston, Claire

Subject:

60RE: Early Intervention factsheet

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I think it's great. Have sent out for comments

Cheers Kate

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Sent: Wednesday, 21 May 2014 4:51 PM

To: Starick, Kate

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It could also be added to if there is more information we want to communicate.

Cheers,

Claire



# **Early Intervention & Therapy Fact Sheet**

The National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) is a new way of providing community linking, and individualised support for people with permanent and significant disability, their families and carers.

# What is Early Intervention?

- Early intervention is a highly valued service that has been included in the NDIS because intervening early in the lives of children with developmental delay or disability leads to better outcomes for children and their families over the long term.
- Early intervention in the ACT includes group and individualised programs run by the Education and Training Directorate, therapeutic programs delivered by Therapy ACT, and other programs delivered by non-government providers.

# What is changing?

- The ACT Government has announced it will gradually withdraw from the provision of specialist disability services over a period of three years.
- The ACT Government will withdraw from early intervention services by December 2014. From 2015 early intervention services will be provided by non government organisations. This will allow for more inclusive, integrated and family-centred support for children with a disability and their families and carers.
- The ACT Government will also withdraw from Therapy services by December 2016, but will continue to provide these services during the two-year NDIS trial period.
- The resources that had been tied up in government provision will now start to flow to the non-government sector
- These timeframes gives us an opportunity to work as a community to make sure services are provided to meet individual needs.



# Which services will be affected by the changes?

- Early Intervention Playgroups (EIP)
- Early Intervention
- Language Intervention Units (LIU)
- Autism Intervention Units (AIU)
- Early Childhood Centres (ECC)
- Early Childhood Units for three year olds (ECU 3)
- Early Intervention home education programs for children with sensory impairment.

#### What WILL NOT be affected?

- There will be no changes to services in 2014, and the vast majority of children in early intervention programs in 2014 will transition through normal processes to preschool or school, including specialist schools.
- Preschool is a mainstream service and will not be affected by the changes.
- Preschools attached to Malkara School and Cranleigh School (ECU for four year olds) will not be affected by the changes.
- All children will still be able to access mainstream services such as Early Childhood Education and Care and preschool.
- Preschool children with significant developmental delay or disability will continue to be able to access the Support at Preschool program, or a specialist school preschool program as a reasonable adjustment.
- Children with a developmental delay or disability will be able to access specialist early intervention supports through the NDIS, with children below school age transitioning to the Scheme between July and December 2014 (i.e. the first six months).
- The ACT Government will continue to provide intake, referral and assessment services.



# Who will deliver early intervention now?

- From 2015 the ACT Government will no longer deliver early intervention services.
- The NDIS is changing the way services are delivered. The aim is to increase the range of non government organisations working in this area, in line with the principles of the NDIS around choice and control.
- There are already non government service providers entering the market, such as ASPECT (Austism SPECTrum) and Aspire Early Intervention.
- The ACT Government is investing \$12.5 million in sector development funding to build up the capacity of community services, so they can deliver the types of services people want.
- The ACT Government is committed to working with families to ensure that there continues to be early intervention services in the ACT equal to, or better than, those that currently exist.

From:

Whitten, Meredith

Sent:

Thursday, 22 May 2014 7:51 AM

To:

Subject:

Starick, Kate 66RE: CV and confirmation of phone discussion

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## Thank you Kate

From: Starick, Kate

Sent: Wednesday, 21 May 2014 8:23 PM To: Whitten, Meredith; Howson, Natalie

Cc: Evans, Jacinta

Subject: FW: CV and confirmation of phone discussion

Hi FYI

Proposed KPMG facilitator for 2 June Forum

Regards Kate

From: Doyle, Nicki [mailto:ndoyle@kpmg.com.au]

Sent: Tuesday, 20 May 2014 12:50 PM

To: Starick, Kate

Cc: Sheehan, Maureen; Mitchell, Beth; Barr, Iain; Whitten, Meredith; Baumgart, Richard; Evans, Jacinta; Gniel,

Stephen; Monteith, Jo; Durham, Amity

Subject: CV and confirmation of phone discussion

Hi Kate,

As discussed, please find attached the CV for Kerry McGough, who we are proposing will facilitate the workshop on June 2nd. Kerry is a Partner with our practice within KPMG and has significant experience both in facilitating forums similar to the one you are holding, as well as within the Disability sector, including with NDIS reforms.

Further to our conversation, I can also confirm we will include some introductory wording in our interview script and also for when we contact the organisations.

Regards,

Nicki

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Kate

Starick, Kate

Thursday, 22 May 2014 8:46 AM

Evans, Jacinta

Johnston, Claire, Whitten, Meredith 70RE: Early Intervention factsheet

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Thanks Jacinta Cheers

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----Original Message----

From: Evans, Jacinta

Sent: Wednesday, 21 May 2014 9:17 PM

To: Starick, Kate

Cc: Johnston, Claire; Whitten, Meredith Subject: Re: Early Intervention factsheet

Hi Kate

I will do a quick track change tomorrow morning.

Cheers

Jacinta

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> On 21 May 2014, at 7:10 pm, "Starick, Kate" <<u>Kate.Starick@act.gov.au</u>> wrote:
> Thanks Jacinta - do you have preferred wording?
> Kate
> ----Original Message----
> From: Evans, Jacinta
> Sent: Wednesday, 21 May 2014 6:28 PM
> To: Starick, Kate; Johnston, Claire
> Cc: Whitten, Meredith
> Subject: Re: Early Intervention factsheet
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> Hi Claire

> I'm concerned that the fact sheet introduction says early intervention includes TACT, then the summary states that the Govt will not provide early intervention after 2014. Therapy ACT will still operate after 2014. I think this could be misleading for parents.

> Cheers

> Jacinta

>> On 21 May 2014, at 6:11 pm, "Starick, Kate" < Kate.Starick@act.gov.au> wrote:

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>> Claire
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Starick, Kate

Sent:

Thursday, 22 May 2014 8:49 AM

To:

Whitten, Meredith, Evans, Jacinta, Monteith, Jo; Barr, lain

Cc: Subject: Gniel, Stephen; Johnston, Claire 71RE: Early Intervention factsheet

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Hi

No worries

Thanks Meredith

Kate '

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From: Whitten, Meredith

Sent: Thursday, 22 May 2014 8:07 AM

To: Starick, Kate; Evans, Jacinta; Monteith, Jo; Barr, Iain

**Cc:** Gniel, Stephen; Johnston, Claire **Subject:** RE: Early Intervention factsheet

Hi Kate and Claire

Thank you for so much coordinating this fact sheet.

If TACT and ETD could just have a day (by Friday) to look at the factsheet and how the information is presented and its content, that would be good. We attended a meeting with Autism and Aspergers ACT yesterday and we need to include the right information in a positive way. For example, what is available for children now and in the future; what we want you to work with us to develop and when. With thanks

Meredith

From: Starick, Kate

Sent: Wednesday, 21 May 2014 6:11 PM

To: Whitten, Meredith; Evans, Jacinta; Monteith, Jo; Barr, Iain

Cc: Gniel, Stephen; Johnston, Claire

Subject: FW: Early Intervention factsheet

Dear All

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Thank you Regards

Kate

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Cheers, Claire

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Thursday, 22 May 2014 8:50 AM

To:

Johnston, Claire

Subject:

72FW: June 2 Forum - Therapy in the ACT [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

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Hi Claire FYI for invitations

Regards Kate

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From: Whitten, Meredith

Sent: Thursday, 22 May 2014 8:10 AM

To: Starick, Kate

Subject: RE: June 2 Forum - Therapy in the ACT [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

Hi Kate

One person who you may wish to invite is Ricky Stuart?

Meredith

From: Starick, Kate

Sent: Wednesday, 21 May 2014 6:01 PM

To: Johnston, Claire; TIBBITTS, Alice; PAULL, Jillian; Whitten, Meredith Cc: Sheehan, Maureen; Evans, Jacinta; McClelland, Lisa; Monteith, Jo Subject: FW: June 2 Forum - Therapy in the ACT [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

Importance: High

Hi

Please find amended running sheet below Would appreciate feedback.

- 1. Jillian and Alice will confirm speakers
- 2. Claire could you please draft invitations to members of the Expert Panel
- 3. Meredith and Jacinta are there any other special guests we should invite?
- 4. Claire and Jacinta could you please progress an events brief?
- 5. Lisa arrange refreshments/catering
- 6. All we have had requests for written information to be made available for people unable to attend. Would appreciate copies of FAQs, Fact sheets, brochures etc

Thanks all Regards

Kate

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Thursday, 22 May 2014 10:24 AM

To:

Johnston, Claire

Subject:

74RE: Invitation for expert panel and guests to therapy forum

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Yes

we need a covering letter/ email as well formally inviting them individually please Thanks
Kate

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From: Johnston, Claire

Sent: Thursday, 22 May 2014 10:23 AM

To: Starick, Kate

Subject: Invitation for expert panel and guests to therapy forum

Hi Kate, here's a draft email invite for the expert panel and other guests we might want to invite to the forum.

What do you think - is this what you are after?

Claire

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Subject: Invitation to community forum about therapy services and the NDIS

Dear [Name]

[The ACT Government/Community Services Directorate /Ms Natalie Howson] would like to invite you to a community forum about therapy in the ACT and the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS).

The NDIS will affect how therapy and early intervention services in the ACT are delivered.

This forum will offer attendees a chance to hear from experts, families, the National Disability Insurance Agency and the ACT Government about how therapy and early intervention will work with the NDIS, and ask questions.

This forum aims to engage with our community to develop the services and supports that people in the ACT will want under the NDIS.

When: Monday 2 June 2014 12.00pm - 2.00pm

Where: Hedley Beare Centre Hall, 51 Fremantle Dr, Stirling

An invitation is attached.

To RSVP and for accessibility assistance call (02) 6205 1372 or email <a href="mailto:ndis@act.gov.au">ndis@act.gov.au</a>	
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To:

Whitten, Meredith; Starick, Kate; Johnston, Claire; TIBBITTS, Alice

Cc:

Sheehan, Maureen; Evans, Jacinta; McClelland, Lisa; Monteith, Jo; JEFFERY, Ray;

SCHULTZ, Kristine, BEAUMONT, Jane

Subject:

76RE: June 2 Forum - Therapy in the ACT [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

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many thanks

we'll organise speakers and advise who will speak within this time frame

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----Original Message----

From: Whitten, Meredith [Meredith.Whitten@act.gov.au]

Sent: Thursday, May 22, 2014 08:09 AM AUS Eastern Standard Time To: Starick, Kate; Johnston, Claire; TIBBITTS, Alice; PAULL, Jillian Cc: Sheehan, Maureen; Evans, Jacinta; McClelland, Lisa; Monteith, Jo Subject: RE: June 2 Forum - Therapy in the ACT [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

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Meredith

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Sent: Wednesday, 21 May 2014 6:01 PM

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Regards

Kate

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From:

Barr, Iain

Sent:

Thursday, 22 May 2014 3:28 PM

To:

Whitten, Meredith; Gniel, Stephen; Evans, Jacinta; Baumgart, Richard; Gonczarek,

Melinda; Starick, Kate

Subject:

77RE: Meeting with Minister Burch

21 May 2014 (draft summary)

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Thank you Meredith.

From: Whitten, Meredith

**Sent:** Thursday, 22 May 2014 3:26 PM

To: Gniel, Stephen; Evans, Jacinta; Baumgart, Richard; Barr, Iain; Gonczarek, Melinda; Starick, Kate

Subject: Meeting with Minister Burch

(draft summary)

Hi Stephen and Iain and Kate and Jacinta

The following actions were discussed at the meeting with

vesterday.

1. to receive details of Therapy services in the ACT Forum on 2 June 2014.

Meredith Whitten to action.

- 2. Meredith Whitten to request Education and Training Directorate to invite pre-schools to forum on 2 June 2014. Stephen and lain would you action this request?
- 3. Minister to write to Senator Fifield about NDIA planners need to understand autism in order to develop plans and make funding decisions. Meredith Whitten and Jacinta Evans to action.
- 4. Inform families of alternative early intervention providers by term 4 in 2014. ETD to action this request at that time
- 5. Safeguards are needed to prevent NGOs cherry-picking clients. **Kate is this something to consider under the DSA amendments?**

#### Key Messages:

- Autism data in the ACT is unreliable.
- Respect the experience of carers of people with autism.
- NDIA planners and support workers need to understand autism in order to develop plans and make funding decisions
- NDIA pricing for early intervention is insufficient to meet the needs of people with autism.
- Need a body of knowledge about autism and co-morbidity.
- Will-existing school-facilities-be available for use by-new-providers?-ETD to consider this request.
- No applied behavioural analysis programs available in Australian universities.
- Families are isolated with a child with autism and support of other families is important.
- Services need to be available for vulnerable children who attend schools like Cranleigh.

Jacinta – thank you for preparing the brief for this meeting.

Meredith Whitten | Executive Director |

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From:

Perrin, Kristie

Sent:

Friday, 23 May 2014 8:06 AM

To: Cc: Baumgart, Richard Stewart-Jones, Liz

Subject:

RE: Single select KPMG - Malcome was on it

Richard,

We received the signed PPM from Sue yesterday and the Service Agreement is with Kate and KMPG for signatures.

Regards Kristie

From: Baumgart, Richard

Sent: Thursday, 22 May 2014 10:49 PM

**To:** Perrin, Kristie **Cc:** Stewart-Jones, Liz

Subject: RE: Single select KPMG - Malcome was on it

Great

Thanks

Is it with Sue Chapman on Trim, presuming it was trimmed?

Richard Baumgart | Director | Phone <u>02 6205 1522</u> |

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Subject: RE: Single select KPMG - Malcome was on it

Hi Richard,

We are still waiting on the signed PPM, as for the contract they are all cleared and ready to go, once we have the signed PPM

Regards Kristië

From: Baumgart, Richard

Sent: Wednesday, 21 May 2014 11:08 PM

To: Stewart-Jones, Liz; Perrin, Kristie

Subject: Single select KPMG - Malcome was on it

Hi Liz, Kristie

I emailed Maleome but got an out of office, just wondering if you know if we received back he single select for KPMG.

Richard Baumgart | Director | Phone 02 6205 1522 |

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Whitten, Meredith

Sent:

Friday, 23 May 2014 8:23 AM

To:

Evans, Jacinta; Starick, Kate; Sheehan, Maureen; Johnston, Claire; Tatz, Simon

Subject:

79FW: Early intervention services - UPDATED LINES

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For your information - current early intervention information.

Meredith

From: Hawthorne, Maria

**Sent:** Thursday, 22 May 2014 5:26 PM

To: Burch, Joy; Tardif, Phillip; Gonczarek, Melinda; Cirson, Adina; Webster (LA), Emma.N; Cronan, Patrick

**Cc:** Emerson, Marc; Whitten, Meredith; Caldwell, Anna **Subject:** FW: Early intervention services - UPDATED LINES

Hi all - please note the updated lines on advice from EDT. I have rung Tom to talk him through the changes.

From: Tom McIlroy [mailto:thomas.mcilroy@fairfaxmedia.com.au]

**Sent:** Thursday, 22 May 2014 5:08 PM

To: Hawthorne, Maria

Subject: Re: Early intervention services

thanks maria.

On 22 May 2014 17:06, Hawthorne, Maria < Maria. Hawthorne@act.gov.au > wrote:

FROM A SPOKESPERSON FOR THE MINISTER:

The ACT Government has made the decision to gradually withdraw from provision of services that will be covered by the NDIS, and is actively liaising with private and community sector providers who will take over these services over the next two years.

There will be no change to early intervention programs delivered by the Education and Training Directorate this year.

The vast majority of children in early intervention programs this year will transition to preschool or school for the start of 2015. Early intervention Disability support programs in schools will remain unchanged, and families of these children will be offered support to work with the National Disability Insurance Agency as they transition to the NDIS.

The Government will work directly with families and carers of the small number of children who are not due to transition to the NDIS until later in 2015 to ensure services are maintained.

We are confident that by Term 4 this year, all families will know what services are available for their child will be going into in 2015.

Moving 5,000 people into the NDIS over two years must be done methodically and to a schedule. The ACT Government has worked long and hard over the past 12 months on its phasing approach, and is confident that the time frame is both realistic and responsible.

Services for preschool and school-aged children will remain, and any child receiving Therapy ACT services will continue to receive those services.

Parents and carers of children with autism or Aspergers are invited to attend a forum on June 2 which will be hosted and facilitated by KPMG, in conjunction with Disability ACT and the National Disability Insurance Agency.

# Maria Hawthorne

Media Adviser | Arts and Multicultural Adviser

# Office of Joy Burch MLA

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Sent: Thursday, 22 May 2014 2:42 PM

To: Hawthorne, Maria

**Subject:** Re: Early intervention services

Thanks.

On 22 May 2014 14:40, Hawthorne, Maria < Maria. Hawthorne@act.gov.au > wrote:

Hi Tom,

We'll get some responses for you from a spokesperson.

Maria

From: Tom McIlroy [mailto:thomas.mcilroy@fairfaxmedia.com.au]

Sent: Thursday, 22 May 2014 2:39 PM

To: Hawthorne, Maria

Subject: Early intervention services

Maria,

I know MInister Burch isn't about today. Who is placed to answer questions for a story in tomorrow's paper?

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- Andrew Wall is calling for the withdrawal to be pushed back by 12 months to give families certainty about their services. Will the government consider this suggestion?
- If the government delays with the withdrawal, could there be a supply and demand problem in the ACT?
- Will Minister Burch join the Opposition's forum on the NDIS changes on May 26?

I note there is an e-petition on the subect:

https://epetitions.act.gov.au/CurrentEPetition.aspx?PetNum=9

Thanks, Tom

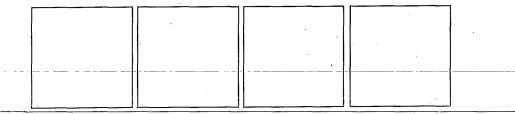
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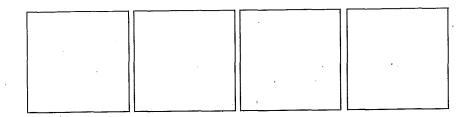
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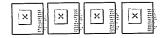
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Sent:

Friday, 23 May 2014 10:02 AM

To:

Johnston, Claire

Subject:

82RE: June 2 Forum - Therapy in the ACT [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

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Thanks Claire have sent to Lesley to send out

Kate

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They are at -

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From:

Moore, Nicole

Sent:

Friday, 23 May 2014 11:16 AM

To:

Starick, Kate

Subject:

86FW: A Message from the NDIS Taskforce - Edition 2

Attachments:

Therapy ACT Forum Invite.pdf

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## Hi Kate

The Office for Women Return to Work Coordinator is interested in information on how the changes to therapy services will impact on return to work clients. Unfortunately we are unable to send someone along to the forum. Are you able to share the presentation or information materials with me to discuss with the team?

## With thanks

# Nicole Moore

A/g Manager | Office for Women | Community Participation Group Community Services Directorate | ACT Government Theo Notaras Multicultural Centre | Level 2 North building | 180 London Circuit Canberra GPO Box 158, Canberra 2601 | Phone: 6207 8165 | Email: nicole.moore@act.gov.au

From: Adams, Rebecca

Sent: Wednesday, 21 May 2014 8:57 AM

To: Moore, Nicole

Subject: FW: A Message from the NDIS Taskforce - Edition 2

## Hi Nicole,

I believe we should attend this forum to have a greater understanding of the roll out of the NDIS and that of the provision of RTW.

As it is on the same day as the seminar for home business, I will be unable to attend.

Thanks for your consideration of this issue.

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Rebecca Adams | Return to Work Coordinator |

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Johnston, Claire

Sent:

Friday, 23 May 2014 11:21 AM

To:

Hosie, Donna, Daw, Lesley

Cc:

Starick, Kate; Whitten, Meredith; Sheehan, Maureen

Subject:

88RE: Invite letters to expert panel

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Thank you Donna and Lesley, much appreciated.

Sorry for the short notice.

Cheers, Claire

From: Hosie, Donna

**Sent:** Friday, 23 May 2014 11:20 AM **To:** Daw, Lesley; Johnston, Claire

Cc: Starick, Kate; Whitten, Meredith; Sheehan, Maureen

Subject: RE: Invite letters to expert panel

Good morning, Claire

The DG has cleared the letter. Please find attached an electronic signature, as discussed with Lesley.

Best regards

Donna Hosie | Executive Assistant to the Director-General

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From: Daw, Lesley

Sent: Friday, 23 May 2014 10:18 AM

To: Johnston, Claire

Cc: Starick, Kate; Whitten, Meredith; Sheehan, Maureen; Hosie, Donna

Subject: RE: Invite letters to expert panel

Claire As discussed I will get the DG's clc of the letter and get you a copy of the DG's electronic signature which you can attach to the letters before sending out. Lesley

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From: Johnston, Claire

Sent: Friday, 23 May 2014 10:07 AM

To: Daw, Lesley; Hosie, Donna

Cc: Starick, Kate; Whitten, Meredith; Sheehan, Maureen

Subject: Invite letters to expert panel

Hi Lesley and Donna,

As discussed, attached are the letters from the D-G to our ACT NDIS Expert Panel members, inviting them to the therapy and early intervention forum on Monday 2 June.

Could you please organise for these to be approved and sent to the members? Their email addresses are below.

Each of them will also need the e-invite (which I have also attached).

Let me know if you require more information.

Regards, Claire

Expert Panel Member	Email Address
Mr Craig Wallace	
Mr David Heckendorf	
Ms Sue Salthouse (Co chair)	
Mr David Long	
Mr Glenn Keys	
Ms Ann Procter	
Ms Dee McGrath	
Ms Kerrie Langford	
Ms Miranda Garnett	
Ms Lynne Pezzullo	
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Subject:

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Thanks Melinda

No Worries

Maureen will be at the Minister's Monday meeting

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From: Gonczarek, Melinda

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Subject: RE: June 2 Forum - Therapy in the ACT [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

Hi Kate,

Thanks for this, the Minister has been away from work the last two days so I have been unable to confirm with her but my feeling is that yes, she most likely will wish to say a few words. I will be able to confirm with her Monday and let you know. Thanks for all your work on this.

Have a lovely weekend,

Melinda.

From: Starick, Kate

**Sent:** Wednesday, 21 May 2014 5:53 PM **To:** Gonczarek, Melinda; Sheehan, Maureen

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# Gotovac, Jessica From: Johnston, Claire Friday, 23 May 2014 1:09 PM Sent: To: Starick, Kate Cc: Sheehan, Maureen 90Kate - invites to expert panel for you to send out Subject: FORUM INVITE.pdf Attachments: Categories: possible Hi Kate, I've finished all the letters – find them here: P:\ACT NDIS Taskforce\05 Expert Panel\Therapy Forum letters The emails are below for the members. Are you or Maureen able to send them out today?

I've also attached the e-invite that can go with each letter.

Let me know if you need anything else.

Claire

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# Note Community Forum Therapy in the ACT

You are invited to a free information forum about therapy in the ACT and the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS).

This is a forum for:

- Therapy ACT clients and their families
- parents of children accessing early intervention services
- service moviders
- disability sector workers.

Hear from experts, families and the ACT Government about how therapy will work with the NDIS. Light lunch provided.

When Monday 2 June 2014, 12.00 pm -2.00 pm

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From:

Whitten, Meredith

Sent:

Monday, 26 May 2014 9:25 AM Starick, Kate; Evans, Jacinta

To: Subject:

97Re: 2 June Forum

Categories:

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Hi Kate. Thanks. Can you keep me in the loop. Meredith

On 26 May 2014, at 9:03 am, "Starick, Kate" < Kate.Starick@act.gov.au > wrote:

Hi Meredith

For the forum, Natalie will need speaking points regarding TACT and plan, and possibly the Minister. Can I arrange this with Jacinta please

Will also need events Brief – would like to follow up with Jacinta regarding this as well. Is that OK? Thanks

Kate

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From: Sent: To: Subject:	Whitten, Meredith Monday, 26 May 20 Starick, Kate; Fitzg 98RE: Project man	erald, Fran		
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Thanks Kate – we did not o	discuss the detail tod	ay. Nikki wants to discu	iss the contract with KP	MG with you.
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With thanks				
Meredith Whitten   Executive Phone 620 71475   Fax 620 70 Disability ACT   Community Level 2 Nature Conservation	71371   Mobile 0419 42 Services Directorate   <i>I</i>	ACT Government	PO Box 158 Canberra AC	r 2601   <u>www.act.gov.au</u>
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From: Starick, Kate Sent: Monday, 26 May 20 To: Doyle, Nicki; Sheehan Evans, Jacinta Cc: Evans, Jacinta Subject: RE: Project man	, Maureen; Gniel, Ste	phen; Durham, Amity;	Mitchell, Beth; Barr, Iair	n; Whitten, Meredith;
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I am an apology for today	s meeting. Maureen	is able to attend.		
Could you please also disc	uss final arrangemen	its for 2 June forum?		
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Regards				
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----Original Appointment----

From: Doyle, Nicki [mailto:ndoyle@kpmg.com.au]

Sent: Tuesday, 20 May 2014 1:27 PM Subject: Project management meeting

When: Monday, 26 May 2014 12:30 PM-1:30 PM (UTC+10:00) Canberra, Melbourne, Sydney.

Where: Lync Meeting - dial in details below

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Monday, 26 May 2014 1:08 PM

To:

Starick, Kate; Sheehan, Maureen; Barr, Iain; Gniel, Stephen; Mitchell, Beth; Evans,

Jacinta; Whitten, Meredith

Subject: Attachments: FW: ACT Market Soundings for Early Intervention

ACT Early intervention draft engagement letter v0 2 (2) pdf

Hi everyone,

As per our conversation today, please find attached an early draft engagement letter (this has now been superseded by a later engagement letter) which has the proposed organisations for the market soundings.

We look forward to your feedback on the organisations.

Regards, Nicki .

Nicki Doyle Associate Director Government Advisory Services Advisory

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From: Short, Joe

Sent: Thursday, 8 May 2014 8:27 AM.

To: Sheehan, Maureen

Cc: Forsyth, Liz; Starick, Kate; Gniel, Stephen; Mitchell, Beth; Doyle, Nicki

Subject: RE: ACT Market Soundings for Early Intervention

Hi Maureen,

Further to our conversation last week, please find attached a draft engagement letter for this work.

If you have any suggested edits, please let me know, and I can then formalise the letter and send to you as a final document for signature.

You will see in the Appendix we have put together a suggested list of providers to sound based on input from Lindy and our own research. We have also begun developing an interview guide which we can share in due course.

<del>Kind regards,</del>

Joe

From: Forsyth, Liz

Sent: Tuesday, 22 April 2014 4:34 PM

To: Sheehan, Maureen

Cc: Short, Joe; Chandrakumar, Loga; Starick, Kate; Gniel, Stephen; Mitchell, Beth; Durham, Amity

Subject: RE: ACT Market Soundings for Early Intervention

Maureen

Thanks for considering us – we would be delighted to undertaken this work for you

Amity will try and find a time for us to talk

Hope you had a good break

Cheers

Liz

Liz Forsyth

Partner, Government Advisory Services National Sector Lead: Health, Ageing and Human Services Advisory

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From: Sheehan, Maureen [mailto:Maureen.Sheehan@act.gov.au]

Sent: Thursday, 17 April 2014 2:28 PM

To: Forsyth, Liz

Cc: Short, Joe; Chandrakumar, Loga; Starick, Kate; Gniel, Stephen; Mitchell, Beth

Subject: RE: ACT Market Soundings for Early Intervention

Importance: High

Dear Liz

The ACT Government has finally announced it is withdrawing from supported accommodation no later than 30 June 2017 and from Therapy services no later than 30 June 2016. As a result of the work we did around cash and in kind and phasing with you, Government has also announced that Education will withdraw from early intervention services from the end of the 2014 school year.

We are keen engage KPMG again to leverage off the market soundings for Therapy, and to do further soundings on Early Intervention services. Would it be possible to make a time for a conversation next week on how we would go about this?

Regards Maureen

Maureen Sheehan
Executive Coordinator
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From: Chandrakumar, Loga [mailto:logac@kpmg.com.au]

Sent: Thursday, 19 December 2013 5:22 PM

To: Sheehan, Maureen

**Cc:** Baumgart, Richard; Forsyth, Liz; Short, Joe **Subject:** ACT Market Soundings Transmittal

Hi Maureen

Please find attached a copy of the final report and a copy of our transmittal letter which formally closes our work. I shall raise the final invoice and get it sent across.

I'll be in touch in the New Year to organise a wrap-up call with yourself, Liz and the team.

It's been great working with you and the team, hope you have a restful break and safe festive season.

cheers Loga

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Johnston, Claire

Sent:

Monday, 26 May 2014 1:36 PM

To:

Starick, Kate; Whitten, Meredith; Evans, Jacinta; Monteith, Jo; Barr, Iain

Cc:

Gniel, Stephen

Subject: Attachments:

99RE: Early Intervention factsheet Early Intervention factsheet (2).docx

Categories:

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Hi everyone,

I have made some small changes to the fact sheet following Jacinta's comments. Please let me know if you have any other concerns/changes.

Cheers, Claire

From: Starick, Kate

Sent: Wednesday, 21 May 2014 6:11 PM

To: Whitten, Meredith; Evans, Jacinta; Monteith, Jo; Barr, Iain

**Cc:** Gniel, Stephen; Johnston, Claire **Subject:** FW: Early Intervention factsheet

Dear All

Claire has pulled together information regarding El and TACT as attached (thanks Claire).

Could you please review and provide comments back to Claire

Thank you Regards Kate

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From: Johnston, Claire

Sent: Wednesday, 21 May 2014 4:51 PM

To: Starick, Kate

Subject: Early Intervention factsheet

Hi Kate,

I'm not sure if this is something that will be useful, but I've done up a quick fact sheet about early intervention and therapy that might be useful for the 2 June forum. I think it sets out a bit more clearly what's happening, why and what happens next.

Let me know what you think, and if it should be run past ETD. I know they have already done something so I'm not sure if this is appropriate or not.

It could also be added to if there is more information we want to communicate.

Cheers, Claire



# **Early Intervention & Therapy Fact Sheet**

The National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) is a new way of providing community linking, and individualised support for people with permanent and significant disability, their families and carers.

# What is Early Intervention?

- Most early intervention services in the ACT today are group and individualised programs run by the Education and Training Directorate.
- Early intervention has been included in the NDIS because intervening early in the lives of children with developmental delay or disability leads to better outcomes over the long term.

# What is Therapy?

• Therapy refers to a range of support services including physiotherapy, occupational therapy, speech pathology, social work and psychology. Therapy ACT provides these services for people with delays in development and developmental disabilities.

# What is changing?

- The ACT Government has announced it will gradually withdraw from the provision of specialist disability services over a period of three years.
- The ACT Government will withdraw from early intervention services by December 2014. From 2015 early intervention services will be provided by non government organisations. This will allow for more inclusive, integrated and family-centred support for children with a disability and their families and carers.
- The ACT Government will also withdraw from Therapy services by December 2016, but will continue to provide these services during the two-year NDIS trial period.
- The resources that had been tied up in government provision will now start to flow to the non-government sector
- These timeframes gives us an opportunity to work as a community to make sure services are provided to meet individual needs.



# Which services will be affected by the changes to early intervention?

- Early Intervention Playgroups (EIP)
- Early Intervention
- Language Intervention Units (LIU)
- Autism Intervention Units (AIU)
- Early Childhood Centres (ECC)
- Early Childhood Units for three year olds (ECU 3)
- Early Intervention home education programs for children with sensory impairment.

# What WILL NOT be affected?

- There will be no changes to services in 2014, and the vast majority of children in early intervention programs in 2014 will transition through normal processes to preschool or school, including specialist schools.
- Preschool is a mainstream service and will not be affected by the changes.
- Preschools attached to Malkara School and Cranleigh School (ECU for four year olds) will not be affected by the changes.
- All children will still be able to access mainstream services such as Early Childhood Education and Care and preschool.
- Preschool children with significant developmental delay or disability will continue to be able to access the Support at Preschool program, or a specialist school preschool program as a reasonable adjustment.
- Children with a developmental delay or disability will be able to access specialist early intervention supports through the NDIS, with children below school age transitioning to the Scheme between July and December 2014 (i.e. the first six months).
- The ACT Government will continue to provide intake, referral and assessment services.



# Who will deliver early intervention now?

- From 2015 the ACT Government will no longer deliver early intervention services.
- The NDIS is changing the way services are delivered. The aim is to increase the range of non government organisations working in this area, in line with the principles of the NDIS around choice and control.
- There are already non government service providers entering the market, such as ASPECT (Austism SPECTrum) and Aspire Early Intervention.
- The ACT Government is investing \$12.5 million in sector development funding to build up the capacity of community services, so they can deliver the types of services people want.
- The ACT Government is committed to working with families to ensure that there continues to be early intervention services in the ACT equal to, or better than, those that currently exist.

From:

Starick, Kate

Sent:

Monday, 26 May 2014 3:01 PM

To:

Gniel, Stephen; Barr, Jain

Subject:

100FW: June 2 Forum - Therapy in the ACT [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

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Are you able to advise

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From: Johnston, Claire

Sent: Friday, 23 May 2014 4:07 PM

To: Starick, Kate; PAULL, Jillian; TIBBITTS, Alice; Whitten, Meredith Cc: Sheehan, Maureen; Evans, Jacinta; McClelland, Lisa; Monteith, Jo Subject: RE: June 2 Forum - Therapy in the ACT [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

Hi all,

The minister's office says they will look to put the media release out about this on Sunday.

They are also after a list of officials who are attending – do we have confirmation on who from the NDIA will speak?

Cheers,

Claire

From: Starick, Kate

Sent: Friday, 23 May 2014 8:58 AM

**To:** PAULL, Jillian; Johnston, Claire; TIBBITTS, Alice; Whitten, Meredith **Cc:** Sheehan, Maureen; Evans, Jacinta; McClelland, Lisa; Monteith, Jo **Subject:** RE: June 2 Forum - Therapy in the ACT [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

Thanks Jillian

Kate

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From: PAULL, Jillian [mailto:Jillian.PAULL@ndis.gov.au]

Sent: Thursday, 22 May 2014 3:58 PM

**To:** Starick, Kate; Johnston, Claire; TIBBITTS, Alice; Whitten, Meredith **Cc:** Sheehan, Maureen; Evans, Jacinta; McClelland, Lisa; Monteith, Jo

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From: Starick, Kate [Kate.Starick@act.gov.au]

Sent: Wednesday, May 21, 2014 06:01 PM AUS Eastern Standard Time To: Johnston, Claire; TIBBITTS, Alice; PAULL, Jillian; Whitten, Meredith Cc: Sheehan, Maureen; Evans, Jacinta; McClelland, Lisa; Monteith, Jo Subject: FW: June 2 Forum - Therapy in the ACT [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

Hi

Please find amended running sheet below Would appreciate feedback.

- 1. Jillian and Alice will confirm speakers
- 2. Claire could you please draft invitations to members of the Expert Panel
- 3. Meredith and Jacinta are there any other special guests we should invite?
- 4. Claire and Jacinta could you please progress an events brief?
- 5. Lisa arrange refreshments/catering
- 6. All we have had requests for written information to be made available for people unable to attend. Would appreciate copies of FAQs, Fact sheets, brochures etc

Thanks all Regards Kate

	Time	Speaker	Topic	
	12.00 – 1205	KPMG	Introductions, housekeeping, purpose	
	12.05 -	Minister Joy	Open Forum	
	12.15	Burch		
	12.15 -	DG CSD	Background and context to Therapy ACT and planned timeline for	
	12.30		commencement of services and approach	
	12.30 -	NDIA	Early Intervention and best practice models under the NDIS	•
	13.15			
	13.15 -	KPMG	Summary and introduction of panel members and Q&A	,
	13.20			
•	13.20 -	KPMG	Facilitated Panel Q&A	
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			ETD	
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			NDIS Taskforce	
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Proposed running sheet above.

Some initial thoughts:

The aim of the day is to start parents, families and providers thinking about early intervention and therapy under the NDIA

What can families expect

What are best practice models that providers should seek to develop or expand

Also to include discussion about the staged withdrawal and expansion of options in the ACT.

The group involved in the development of the forum are

ETD – Stephen Gniel, Ian Barr and Jo Monteith

CSD – Meredith Whitten and Jacinta Evans

NDIS Taskforce – Kate and Maureen (on her return)

KPMG - Nicki

NDIA - Jillian Paull. Will also follow up Mary Hawkins' availability for 2 June

Thanks again participating. Would appreciate any or all comments.

Regards

Kate

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Starick, Kate

Sent:

Monday, 26 May 2014 3:31 PM

To: Cc: Gniel, Stephen Mitchell, Beth

Subject:

102RE: June 2 Forum planning

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Will do

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From: Gniel, Stephen

Sent: Monday, 26 May 2014 3:30 PM

**To:** Starick, Kate **Cc:** Mitchell, Beth

Subject: RE: June 2 Forum planning

Kate

Beth is back from leave, can you please include Beth in the correspondence.

Thanks Steve

From: Starick, Kate

Sent: Monday, 26 May 2014 3:28 PM

To: Starick, Kate; Evans, Jacinta; McClelland, Lisa; Johnston, Claire; Whitten, Meredith; Sheehan, Maureen; Barr,

Iain; Monteith, Jo; Gniel, Stephen **Subject:** RE: June 2 Forum planning

Hi All

My apologies, was caught up in another meeting

Regards Kate

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Sent: Monday, 26 May 2014 9:46 AM

To: Starick, Kate; Evans, Jacinta; McClelland, Lisa; Johnston, Claire; Whitten, Meredith; Sheehan, Maureen; Barr,

Iain; Monteith, Jo; Gniel, Stephen **Subject:** June 2 Forum planning

When: Monday, 26 May 2014 2:30 PM-3:00 PM (UTC+10:00) Canberra, Melbourne, Sydney.

Where: Taskforce Importance: High

Hi

Could we please catch up this afternoon to progress as a matter of urgency

1. Events brief for Minister and DG

Jacinta

2. Speaking points

Jacinta

3. Room set up

Lisa

4. Catering

Lisa

5. Formal invites (EP invited)

Jacinta/Claire

6. Media

Claire

Meredith and Maureen – ccing you FYI only Kate

Meredith - could you please advise from Minister's meeting today, if Minister would like to speak

From:

Starick, Kate

Sent:

Monday, 26 May 2014 4:34 PM

To:

Sheehan, Maureen; Whitten, Meredith; Luck, Surangani; Mitchell, Malcome; Fraser,

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Regards Kate

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From: Doyle, Nicki [mailto:ndoyle@kpmg.com.au]

**Sent:** Monday, 26 May 2014 4:27 PM

**To:** Starick, Kate **Subject:** Contract

Hi Kate,

Please find attached a copy of the contract, signed by KPMG.

Regards, Nicki

Nicki Doyle Associate Director Government Advisory Services Advisory

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### 2 - THE SERVICES

The Consultant is engaged to provide:

- 2.1 Market sounding interviews with Non Government Organisations who may be interested in the delivery of existing ACT Early Intervention Services;
- 2.2 Market sounding interviews with peak body organisations and wider providers in order to understand best practice delivery models for early intervention. This will provide insight into broader opportunities for improving service delivery as part of the transition of services from government;
- 2.3 A stakeholder forum on 2 June 2014 to present the proposed changes to early intervention

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services and invite feedback from key stakeholders such as service providers, families and carers.

- 2.4 High level desktop review to identify best practice models for early intervention based on national and international practice and research, which will be largely drawn from existing literature scans provided by Disability ACT;
- 2.5 A programme of seven focus groups with clients (parents, families and carers) in order to identify opportunities for service model improvement and to inform thinking regarding the attributes of a preferred provider.
- Analysis of the outcome of sector conversations in order to inform the options available to government in any potential transitioning of services. This analysis will provide an overview of initial provider interest, capacity, capability, risks and recommissioning considerations. Soundings will also look to 'seed' market interest where possible.

#### **METHODODOLOGY**

- 2.7 The Consultant will deliver the services outlined below:
  - (1) Stage One Project initiation market soundings and focus group planning.

Establish a common understanding upfront and to ensure a smooth process which will include:

- (a) Confirm the project scope, purpose, milestones, key deliverable;
- (b) confirm the project management processes, roles and responsibilities of the Consultant and government (e.g. project governance, meetings, reporting, risk and issue capture and escalation etc.);
- (c) confirming confidentiality arrangements; and
- (d) finalise a draft interview scrip and confirm the list of providers/peak bodies to interview.
- (e) Discuss the agenda and facilitation arrangements for the stakeholder forum on 2 June 2014
- (f) Finalise the arrangements and logistics for focus groups. Focus groups participants will be chosen by Disability ACT (Education and Training Directorate with input from Therapy ACT) and session times / locations chosen to maximise participation (e.g. playgroups). Focus groups will be limited to 5 parents / family members / carers per session and will be performed for 1-2 hours. Sessions will be facilitated by an experienced KPMG professional, with an additional team member taking notes. All logistical arrangements will be made by Disability ACT (Education and Training Directorate).

This stage will consider a project plan which outlines the key tasks, deliverables and milestones.

(2) Stage Two - Review of best practice models, Market soundings and focus groups

The Consultant will undertake a desktop review of best practice models for the delivery of early intervention services. The desktop review will be high level, and seek to identify best practice models for early intervention based on national and international practice and research. The desktop review will be largely drawn from existing literature scans provided by Disability ACT, and will consist of a synthesis of this information, in a short 20 – 30 page report. This will be provided to Disability ACT prior to the commencement of the market soundings and focus groups for review.

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The Consultant will perform the soundings regarding Early Intervention Services provided by the Education and Training Directorate (ETD) and Disability ACT as agreed within the planning stage. Sounding will focus on seeking alternate delivery models to those provided through the ETD. 25 providers will be interviewed as part of this stage.

Soundings will also include up to five peak bodies / wider providers in order to identify and map leading practice in the delivery of early intervention. We shall perform a high level desktop review of best practice in advance of interviews to inform our conversations.

The Consultant will perform seven focus groups. Focus groups will be conducted as agreed within the planning stage.

### (3) State Three reporting outputs will be as follows:

- 2.8 An overview of indicative levels of interest in the services as well as any areas of concern of perceived risk;
- 2.9 Key points arising from the market soundings and focus groups supporting a transition of services
- 2.10 Emerging finding with regards to extent to which providers have the capacity or capability to expand into service delivery, or are limited by factors such as financing or resourcing.
- 2.11 An overview of service delivery best practice, and how a transition of services to the non government sector may facilitate the adoption of the best practice in the ACT;
- 2.12 An assessment, based on the market soundings, regarding major risks facing government in achieving their service transition timetable and identification of potential mitigation strategies; and
- 2.13 An outline of next steps work that should be performed. These steps are likely to suggest a program of financial analysis, stakeholder engagement, formal market soundings and the development of procurement and tender specifications. The report will contain emerging thoughts within each of these areas as per the results of soundings, and highlight where further work should focus.

If, during the course of the Engagement, it is determined that adjustment to the engagement are required, then these adjustments will be discussed and agreed by both parties.

### 3 - TIMING AND DELIVERY DATES

The Consultant will to deliver the Services in accordance with the following table:

	Milestone	Estimated Timing
1	Project initiation meeting	19 May 2014
2	Draft project plan and interview guide submitted	22 May 2014
3	Desktop Review	28 May 2014
4	Market soundings and focus groups	28 May – 3 July 2014

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5	Draft report submitted	11 July 2014
6	Final consultation report submitted	18 July 2014

#### 4 REPORTING

The Consultant will be required to submit to the Territory the following reports:

- (1) A draft project plan;
- (2) A draft report; and
- (3) A final report.

### 5 - CONTRACT PRICE AND PAYMENT

For the purpose of this item 5, Involce means a correctly rendered invoice that:

- (a) is a valid tax invoice under the A New Tax System (Goods and Services Tax) Act 1999 (Cth); and
- (b) clearly sets out details of the Supplies provided, and the amount due for payment correctly calculated in respect of the Supplies provided under the terms of this Contract.

The Contract Price is \$153,739.30 (including GST). It is payable in instalments following receipt of Invoices in accordance with this Contract. An invoice may only be rendered upon satisfactory completion by the Supplier of the milestones as set out in the following table and otherwise according to the terms of this Contract.

Instalment	Amount of Instalment (incl. GST)	Milestone
1	20% or \$30,747.86	On execution of this Agreement.
2	40% or \$61,495.72	On completion of 15 market soundings.
3	40% or \$61,495.72	Upon delivery of the final report.

For any out-of pocket expenses the Consultant must obtain approval from the Territory prior to undertaking Service.

### 6 - WARRANTY PERIOD

Not applicable.

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### 7 - CONFIDENTIAL TEXT under the Government Procurement Act 2001 (ACT)

Not Applicable

#### R - INSURANCE

The Consultant must effect and maintain for the Term, the following insurances, and must provide evidence of the insurance if required by the Territory:

- (1) Public Liability insurance with coverage in the amount of no less than \$10 million in respect of each occurrence:
- (2) Professional Indemnity insurance with coverage in the amount of no less than \$5 million in the annual aggregate; and
- (3) Workers compensation insurance.

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ATTACHMENT A – CONSULTANTS QUOTATION

Not Applicable.

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### ATTACHMENT B - GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT

1. Provision of Supplies

The Supplier must provide the Supplies according to the provisions of this Contract and to a standard of care, skill and diligence expected of a person who regularly acts in the capacity in which the Supplier is engaged.

- 2. Acceptance
- 2.1 If the Territory notifies the Supplier that the Supplies are defective, damaged or unfit for the purpose specified in or implied by this Contract, the Territory may, in the case of:

  (a) goods, require replacement Supplies; or
  (b) services, require the Supplier to provide
- 2.2 If the Territory does not notify the Supplier of any issues in accordance with clause 2.1 within 14 days of receiving the Supplies, the Territory is taken to have accepted the Supplies.

the Supplies again.

3. Warranty

If the Supplies are or include goods, the Supplier must:

- (a) during the Warranty Period, without delay and at no cost to the Territory, correct all defects in the Supplies by way of repair, replacement or such other means acceptable to the Territory; and
- (b) ensure, to the extent practicable and permitted by law, that the Territory receives the benefit of any warranty given by a third party with respect to any goods,

### however:

- (c) this does not in any way relieve the Supplier of any obligation or warranty by it under this Contract; and
- (d) the Supplier is liable for all costs incidental to the discharge of any warranty under this Contract.
- 4. Ownership and use of material
- 4.1 Ownership of:

- (a) all Contract Material, including any intellectual property\_rights, vests\_on\_its creation with the Territory;
- (b)all Territory Material, including any intellectual property rights, remains with the Territory; and
- (c) all Support Material, including any intellectual property rights, remains the property of the Supplier.
- 4.2 The Territory grants to the Supplier a royaltyfree, limited licence to use the Contract Material and Territory Material for the Term.
- 4.3 The Supplier:
  - (a) grants to the Territory, a perpetual, royalty-free licence to use the Support Material to the extent necessary for the Territory to obtain the full benefit of the Supplies; and
  - (b) warrants that the Territory's use of any Contract Material and Support Material under this Contract will not infringe the intellectual property rights of, or create any obligations in connection with, any third party
- 4.4 The Supplier must safeguard and preserve Contract Material and Territory Material in its possession or control and deliver to the Territory all Contract Material and Territory Material on expiration or termination of this Contract (other than copies that the Territory authorised the Supplier to retain).
- 5. Supplier's Personnel

The Supplier must, in providing the Supplies:

- (a) engage only persons who have the skills, training and expertise appropriate for the Supplies; and
- (b)comply with all reasonable requirements notified by the Territory regarding suitability and fitness of persons engaged for the provision of the Supplies.
- 6. Non-disclosure of Territory Information The Supplier must:

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- (a) use Territory Information held in connection with this Contract only for the purposes of fulfilling its obligations under this Contract;
- (b) comply with the "Information Privacy Principles" set out in the Privacy Act 1988 (Cth), as if they were provisions of this Contract and the Supplier was a collector and/or record-keeper of the Personal Information under the Act;
- (c) not transfer Territory Information held in connection with this Contract outside the Territory, or allow any person (other than its authorised personnel) outside the Territory to have access to it, without prior written approval of the Territory;
- (d)notify the Territory immediately if the Supplier becomes aware that a disclosure of Territory Information may be required by law or any

unauthorised disclosure of Territory Information has occurred.

- 7. Confidential Text under the Procurement Act
- 7.1 In giving effect to the principles of open and accountable government, the Territory may disclose documents and information unless it has otherwise agreed, or is otherwise required under law, to keep the information confidential.
- 7.2 Except as provided in this Contract, the Territory must not disclose Confidential Text to any person without the prior written consent of the Contractor (which consent will not be unreasonably withheld) except to the extent that Confidential Text:
  - (a) is required or authorised to be disclosed under law;
  - (b)is. reasonably necessary for the enforcement of the criminal law;
  - (c) is disclosed to the Territory's solicitors, auditors, insurers or advisers;
  - (d) is generally available to the public;
  - (e) is in the possession of the Territory without restriction in relation to

- disclosure before the date of receipt from the Contractor;
- (f) is disclosed by the responsible Minister in reporting to the Legislative Assembly or its committees; or
- (g) is disclosed to the ombudsman or for a purpose in relation to the protection of public revenue.
- 8. Indemnity and Liability
- 8.1 The Supplier indemnifies the Territory against claims, costs and expenses for all loss or damage caused by a wilful or unlawful act or omission by the Contractor in its provision of the Supplies.
- 8.2 The Supplier's liability under this Contract is limited to all costs necessary to, as applicable:
  - (a) replace the Supplies;
  - (b) provide the Supplies again; or
  - (c) refund the Territory the whole of the Contract Price,

except with respect to:

- (d) personal injury or death;
- (e) loss of, or damage to, tangible property;
- (f) third party claims against the Territory, including infringement of intellectual property rights.
- 9. Termination

The Territory may terminate this Contract, at any time by notice to the Supplier, if the Supplier:

- (a) is or becomes bankrupt or insolvent, enters into voluntary administration or makes any arrangement with its creditors or takes advantage of any statute for the relief of insolvent debtors;
- (b) fails to provide the Supplies within, or to meet any other, timeframes specified in this Contract; or
- (c) is in breach of a provision of this Contract, where that breach:

(i) if capable of being remedied, is not remedied within the period specified in a notice by the Territory, or

(ii) is not capable of being remedied.

### 10. Conduct in Territory Premises

The Supplier must, when using Territory premises or facilities, comply with all reasonable directions of the Territory.

### 11. Notices

Any notice or communication under this Contract will be effective if it is in writing, from one Contract Manager and delivered to the other Contract Manager. A notice will be deemed to have been delivered:

- (a) if delivered by hand, on delivery;
- (b) if sent by prepaid mail, on the expiration of two business days;
- (c) if sent by facsimile, on the sender's facsimile machine recording that the facsimile has been successfully and properly transmitted to the recipient's address; or
- (d) if sent by electronic mail, on the other party's acknowledgement of receipt by any means.

### 12. Assignment and Subcontracting

The Supplier must not assign or subcontract any of its rights or obligations under this Contract without the prior written consent of the Territory. If the Territory gives its consent, the Territory may impose any conditions.

### 13. Survival

Clauses 4, 6 and 8 of this Contract survive the termination or expiration of this Contract.

#### 14. Applicable Law

The laws of the Australian Capital Territory apply to this Contract.

### 15. Definitions and Interpretation

"Contract Material" means all material created, written or otherwise brought into existence as part of, or for the purpose of providing the Supplies including all reports (whether in draft or

final form), documents, information and data stored by any means.

"Personal Information" means information or an opinion (including information or an opinion forming part of a

database), whether true or not, and whether recorded in a material form or not, about a natural person whose identity is apparent, or can reasonably be ascertained, from the information or opinion.

"Territory Information" means the kind of information that:

- (a) is or relates to documents, submissions, consultations, policies, strategies, practices and procedures of the Territory which are by their nature confidential;
- (b) is notified (whether in writing or not) by the Territory to the Supplier as being confidential; or
- (c) is Personal Information,

but does not include information that:

- (d) is or becomes public knowledge other than by breach of this Contract;
- (e) has been independently developed or acquired by the Supplier; or
- (f) has been notified by the Territory to the Supplier as not being confidential.

"Territory Material" means any material provided by the Territory to the Supplier for the purposes of this Contract including documents, equipment, information and data stored by any means.

#### SPECIAL CONDITIONS

The following Specified Personnel are to provide the Supplies:

Name	Position
Liz Forsyth	Partner, Government Advisory Services
Joe Short	Engagement Officer
Nicki Doyle	Project Manager

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Gotovac, Jessica Sheehan, Maureen From: Monday, 26 May 2014 4:41 PM Sent: Starick, Kate To: Whitten, Meredith; Luck, Surangani; Mitchell, Malcome; Fraser, Norman Cc: Re: Contract Subject: image001.jpg Attachments: Hooray Maureen Sheehan Executive coordinator ACT NDIS > On 26 May 2014, at 4:33 pm, "Starick, Kate" < Kate.Starick@act.gov.au > wrote: > FYI Regards Kate > Kate Starick | Director | > P 02 6205 7062 | M 0408 230 214 | F 02 6207 2047 ACT NDIS Taskforce | > Community Services Directorate | ACT Government Level 2 Nature > Conservation House | 153 Emu Bank, Belconnen ACT 2617 | www.act.gov.au<http://www.act.gov.au> [Coloured\_bar.jpg] From: Doyle, Nicki [mailto:ndoyle@kpmg.com.au] Sent: Monday, 26 May 2014 4:27 PM > To: Starick, Kate Subject: Contract Hi Kate, Please find attached a copy of the contract, signed by KPMG. Regards, > Nicki > Nicki Doyle > Associate Director > Government Advisory Services > Advisory > KPMG > 147 Collins Street > Melbourne VIC 3000 Australia > Tel > +61 3 9838 4112

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From:

Starick, Kate

Sent:

Monday, 26 May 2014 4:51 PM Whitten, Meredith; Evans, Jacinta

To: Subject:

104RE: 2 June Forum

Importance:

High

Categories:

possible

Sure will - need TACT / DACT to do speaking points and events brief up through you please Meredith.

Regards

Kate

Kate Starick | Director |

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From: Whitten, Meredith

**Sent:** Monday, 26 May 2014 9:25 AM **To:** Starick, Kate; Evans, Jacinta **Subject:** Re: 2 June Forum

Hi Kate. Thanks. Can you keep me in the loop. Meredith

On 26 May 2014, at 9:03 am, "Starick, Kate" < Kate. Starick@act.gov.au > wrote:

Hi Meredith

For the forum, Natalie will need speaking points regarding TACT and plan, and possibly the Minister. Can I arrange this with Jacinta please

Will also need events Brief – would like to follow up with Jacinta regarding this as well. Is that OK? Thanks Kate

Kate Starick | Director |

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### Gotovac, Jessica

From:

Doyle, Nicki [ndoyle@kpmg.com.au]

Sent:

Monday, 26 May 2014 10:04 PM

To:

Whitten, Meredith

Subject:

RE: ACT Market Soundings for Early Intervention

Hi Meredith,

Kerry and I will be on different extensions. Is it possible for us to both call your number, or is it easier for you to call us? Otherwise, I can set up a teleconference and send you through the number. Please let me know what the best option is.

Regards,

Nicki

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From: Whitten, Meredith [mailto:Meredith.Whitten@act.gov.au]

**Sent:** Monday, 26 May 2014 1:13 PM

To: Doyle, Nicki

Subject: RE: ACT Market Soundings for Early Intervention

Hi Nicki

Thank you for this. My office number is below for tomorrow's tele-meeting with Kerry McGough. With thanks

Meredith Whitten | Executive Director |

Phone 620 71475 | Fax 620 71371 | Mobile 0419 426 308

Disability ACT | Community Services Directorate | ACT Government

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From: Doyle, Nicki [mailto:ndoyle@kpmq.com.au]

Sent: Monday, 26 May 2014 1:08 PM

To: Starick, Kate; Sheehan, Maureen; Barr, Iain; Gniel, Stephen; Mitchell, Beth; Evans, Jacinta; Whitten,

Meredith

Subject: FW: ACT Market Soundings for Early Intervention

Hi everyone,

As per our conversation today, please find attached an early draft engagement letter (this has now been superseded by a later engagement letter) which has the proposed organisations for the market soundings.

We look forward to your feedback on the organisations.

Regards, Nicki

Nicki Doyle Associate Director Government Advisory Services Advisory

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From: Short, Joe

Sent: Thursday, 8 May 2014 8:27 AM

To: Sheehan, Maureen

Cc: Forsyth, Liz; Starick, Kate; Gniel, Stephen; Mitchell, Beth; Doyle, Nicki

Subject: RE: ACT Market Soundings for Early Intervention

Hi Maureen,

Further to our conversation last week, please find attached a draft engagement letter for this work.

If you have any suggested edits, please let me know, and I can then formalise the letter and send to you as a final document for signature.

You will see in the Appendix we have put together a suggested list of providers to sound based on input from Lindy and our own research. We have also begun developing an interview guide which we can share in due course.

Kind regards,

Joe 0409 396 444

From: Forsyth, Liz

Sent: Tuesday, 22 April 2014 4:34 PM

To: Sheehan, Maureen

Cc: Short, Joe; Chandrakumar, Loga; Starick, Kate; Gniel, Stephen; Mitchell, Beth; Durham, Amity Subject: RE: ACT Market Soundings for Early Intervention

Maureen

Thanks for considering us – we would be delighted to undertaken this work for you

Amity will try and find a time for us to talk

Hope you had a good break

Cheers

Liz

Liz Forsyth

Partner, Government Advisory Services
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From: Sheehan, Maureen [mailto:Maureen.Sheehan@act.gov.au]

Sent: Thursday, 17 April 2014 2:28 PM

To: Forsyth, Liz

Cc: Short, Joe; Chandrakumar, Loga; Starick, Kate; Gniel, Stephen; Mitchell, Beth

Subject: RE: ACT Market Soundings for Early Intervention

Importance: High

Dear Liz

The ACT Government has finally announced it is withdrawing from supported accommodation no later than 30 June 2017 and from Therapy services no later than 30 June 2016.

As a result of the work we did around cash and in kind and phasing with you, Government has also announced that Education will withdraw from early intervention services from the end of the 2014 school year.

We are keen engage KPMG again to leverage off the market soundings for Therapy, and to do further soundings on Early Intervention services. Would it be possible to make a time for a conversation next week on how we would go about this?

Regards

Maureen

Maureen Sheehan

Executive Coordinator
ACT National Disability Insurance Scheme
Community Services Directorate

Office 62071089 Mobile 0438418958

From: Chandrakumar, Loga [mailto:logac@kpmg.com.au]

Sent: Thursday, 19 December 2013 5:22 PM

To: Sheehan, Maureen

**Cc:** Baumgart, Richard; Forsyth, Liz; Short, Joe **Subject:** ACT Market Soundings Transmittal

Hi Maureen

Please find attached a copy of the final report and a copy of our transmittal letter which formally closes our work. I shall raise the final invoice and get it sent across.

I'll be in touch in the New Year to organise a wrap-up call with yourself, Liz and the team.

It's been great working with you and the team, hope you have a restful break and safe festive season.

cheers Loga

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From:

Doyle, Nicki [ndoyle@kpmg.com.au]

Sent:

Tuesday, 27 May 2014 2:23 PM

To:

Starick, Kate; Whitten, Meredith; Barr, Iain; Mitchell, Beth; Sheehan, Maureen; Evans,

Jacinta, Gniel, Stephen

Cc:

Durham, Amity; Short, Joe

Subject:

Draft Project Plan

Attachments:

draft project plan for ACT.pdf

Dear Kate and team.

Please find attached the draft project plan for the ACT market soundings for early intervention services. We look forward to your feedback and comments.

Regards, Nicki

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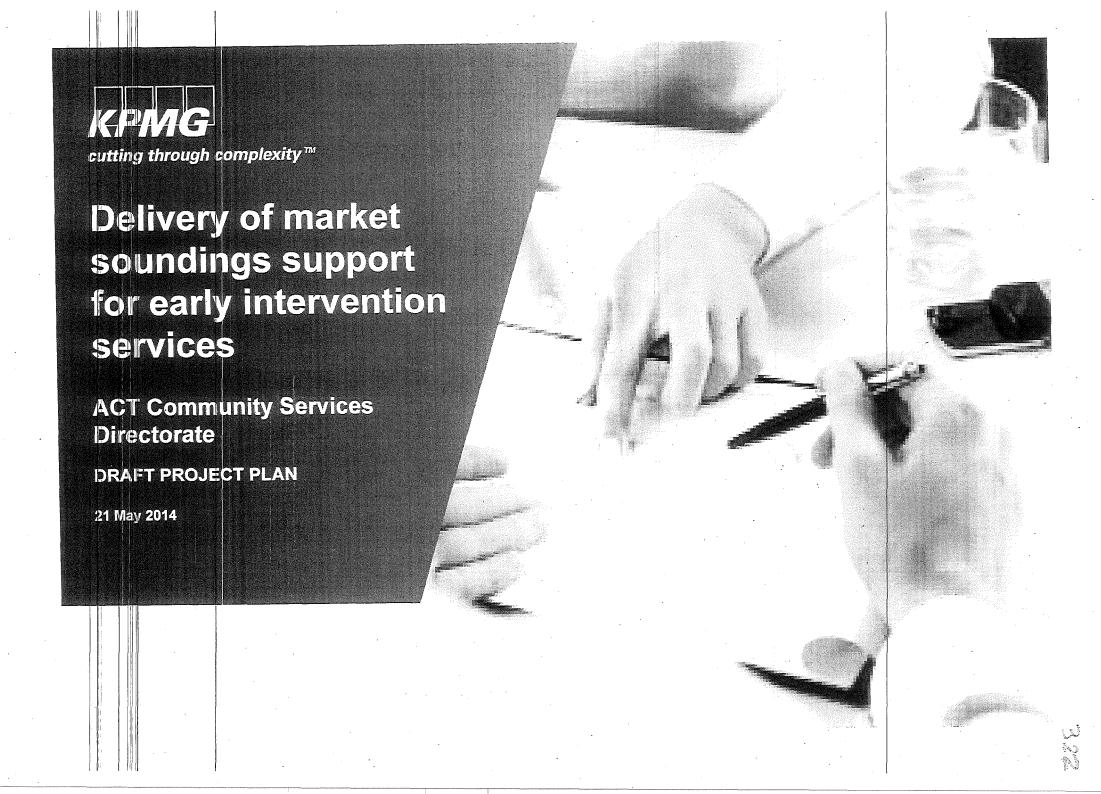
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overview of service delivery best practice, and how a transition of services to the non government sector may facilitate the adoption of best practice in the ACT.

All assessment, based on the market soundings and focus groups, regarding major risks facing government in achieving their service transition timetable, and identification of potential mitigation strategies.

All outline of next steps work that should be performed. These steps are likely to suggest a program of financial analysis, stakeholder engagement, formal market soundings and the development of procurement and tender specifications. Our report will contain our emerging thoughts within each of these areas as per the results of our soundings, and highlight where further work should focus.

If, duling the course of the Engagement, it is determined that adjustments to the Engagement are required, then these adjustments shall be agreed to in writing by both parties.

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# Project approach Proposed timeline

Our project timeframes are outlined below.

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# Project approach Deliverables

We intend to provide CSD with the following deliverables, using a iterative approach to reaching final project recommendations. All deliverables will be KPMG branded, and will be written for an executive audience to enable later decision-making by CSD.

Deliverable	Description	Description			
Project plan		on the project objectives and scope, progress reporting ach, deliverables and overall timelines.	Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May 2014		
Desktop review	KPMG branded high level d synthesis of existing literatu soundings and focus group	lesktop review consisting of 20-30 pages which will provide a are, and will be completed prior to commencement of the market s.	Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup> May 2014		
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Final report			Fr day 18 <sup>th</sup> July 2014		

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### Project management and governance

### Project team

KPMG has assembled an experienced team for this project, with team members possessing extensive experience providing analysis and advice on reform directions to government:

Community Services
Directorate

Liz Forsyth
Engagement Partner

Joe Short
Project Director

Nicki Doyle Project Manager

### **KPMG** resources

Name	Role	Description
Liz Forsyth	Engagement Partner	Liz will be responsible for the successful delivery of the project. She will oversee the team's involvement in the project, reviewing all project deliverables, and will also facilitate the key project workshop.
Jue Short	Project Director	As Project Director, Joe will provide broad oversight and strategic direction for the engagement and will bring his extensive knowledge of the NDIS to the project, in particular the implications for the sector of increased choice and control and the move to individualised funding and the impacts on sector capacity and capability.
li ski Dryle	Project Manager	Nicki will be the day-to-day contact for CSD for the duration of the engagement, exercising control over project delivery and processes. Nicki will assist Joe in providing leadership and oversight for this engagement and will participate in all project meetings.
KPMG resources	Project team support	The project will be supported by other KPMG resources who will assist in synthesising research and providing support and analysis throughout the engagement. This will include Kerry McGough who will run the workshop and Amity Durham who will run the focus groups.

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### Project management and governance

### Project risks and mitigation strategies

KPMG has identified two major project risks and have developed mitigation strategies to address each.

The assistance of QSD is sought in several instances to assist in mitigating the project risks identified.

Project risk	Description	Mitigation strategies
Staff changes	There is a risk that unexpected staff changes at CSD or KPMG impact on the timeliness of the project.	<ul> <li>For CSD: early identification of backup project sponsor to step in to continue project oversight and management</li> <li>KPMG: full engagement of all senior project team members throughout project (Joe Short and Nicki Doyle), who are all able to step into Project Director and/or Project Manager roles if required</li> </ul>
Delays in finalising deliverables due to delayed feedback	There is a risk that delays in receiving prompt, consolidated feedback from CSD on project deliverables will delay the finalisation of reports according to the timeframes specified.	<ul> <li>Prioritisation of project by relevant CSD staff</li> <li>Commitment to provide consolidated rather than individual feedback</li> <li>Commitment from KPMG to deliver on time materials which can facilitate discussions</li> <li>Use of workshop to facilitate agreement on options</li> </ul>



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Moore, Nicole

Sent:

Tuesday, 27 May 2014 3:04 PM

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#### Thanks Kate

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From: Starick, Kate

Sent: Monday, 26 May 2014 7:48 PM

To: Moore, Nicole Cc: Johnston, Claire

Subject: RE: A Message from the NDIS Taskforce - Edition 2

Hi Nicole

The forum will be predominantly Q & A. But I will ask that any print information is sent to you

Regards Kate

From: Moore, Nicole

Sent: Friday, 23 May 2014 11:16 AM

To: Starick, Kate

Subject: FW: A Message from the NDIS Taskforce - Edition 2

Hi Kate

The Office for Women Return to Work Coordinator is interested in information on how the changes to therapy services will impact on return to work clients. Unfortunately we are unable to send someone along to the forum. Are you able to share the presentation or information materials with me to discuss with the team?

### With thanks

Nicole Moore

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From: Adams, Rebecca

Sent: Wednesday, 21 May 2014 8:57 AM

To: Moore, Nicole

Subject: FW: A Message from the NDIS Taskforce - Edition 2

Hi Nicole,

I believe we should attend this forum to have a greater understanding of the roll out of the NDIS and that of the provision of RTW.

As it is on the same day as the seminar for home business, I will be unable to attend.

Thanks for your consideration of this issue.

Bec

Rebecca Adams | Return to Work Coordinator |

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From: Starick, Kate

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To: ##All Staff Community Services Directorate

Subject: A Message from the NDIS Taskforce - Edition 2



## A message from the NDIS Taskforce

19 May 2014 Edition 2

Welcome to the latest update from the ACT NDIS Taskforce.

The Taskforce is located at Nature Conservation House in Belconnen and is responsible for the strategic policy and planning for the design and implementation of the NDIS in Canberra. You can find out more about the NDIS in the ACT at www.act.gov.au/ndis

We welcome your input or feedback via <a href="mailto:ndis@act.gov.au">ndis@act.gov.au</a>

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- Transitioning to the NDIS
- NDIS Community Forum Therapy in the ACT
- Choice and Control Expo
- Housing Symposium
- My Access Checker

- Community Conversations
- Hot Topic Safeguards
- Sector Development Business Investment Packages

#### **Transitioning to the NDIS**

The ACT NDIS trial begins in July 2014. To ensure that access to the NDIS is fair and equitable and that the trial runs smoothly, the ACT and Commonwealth governments have agreed there will be a schedule for eligible people to access the scheme over two years, according to either age or stage of life.

Key elements of an ages and life stages transition plan have been agreed in principle. There will be three streams for people transitioning to the NDIS:

#### 1. Adults

• Adults will transition to the NDIS from oldest to youngest over the trial period.

#### 2. Children

- Children below school age will transition to the NDIS over the first six months, including all babies who are born after 1 July.
- School leavers will transition to the NDIS at the end of the 2014 school year, in time to have their packages ready when they leave school.
- School-age children will transition to the NDIS during the school year 2015.

#### 3. Group Homes

• Group homes need special treatment so that the whole household can transition to the NDIS together. Households will transition from youngest to oldest over the trial period.

Agreement with the Commonwealth as to the detail surrounding the plan is imminent.

#### NDIS Community Forum – Therapy in the ACT

You are invited to a free information forum about therapy in the ACT and the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS).

#### This is a forum for:

- Therapy ACT clients and their families
- Parents of children accessing early intervention services
- Service providers
- Disability sector workers

When:

12 - 2PM, Monday 2 June 2014

Where:

Hedley Beare Centre Hall, 51 Fremantle Drive, Stirling

Hear from experts, families and the ACT Government about how therapy will work with the NDIS.

To RSVP and for accessibility assistance call (02) 6205 1372 or email <a href="mailto:ndis@act.gov.au">ndis@act.gov.au</a>

See attached invitation

#### **Choice and Control Expo**

Thursday 22 May 10am to 4pm

The Choice and Control Expo is being organised by Advocacy for Inclusion and will showcase over 100 businesses and charities with a wide range of products, services, aids, equipment and lifestyle options for people with disabilities in Canberra and the surrounding region.

This is a pivotal time in the disability sector, and the Choice and Control Expo will coincide with a time when people will be making decisions on the types of supports that they need once the NDIS is launched in Canberra in July 2014.

For more information go to <a href="http://advocacyforinclusion.org/index.php/control-choice-expo">http://advocacyforinclusion.org/index.php/control-choice-expo</a>

#### **Housing Symposium**

Over coming months a three-part symposium on innovative housing will be held to explore options for people with a disability in the ACT.

The objectives of the symposium are to:

- 1. Raise awareness about the NDIS and the opportunities and challenges it presents to housing providers, tenancy managers and accommodation support providers.
- 2. Explore funding options.
- 3. Promote innovative housing options that improve affordability and security of tenure for people with disability.

The symposium will be targeted to community sector providers, the housing industry, real estate representatives and ACT Government.

The first forum will be held on Wednesday 28 May at the Hellenic Club in Woden. For more information please email <a href="mailto:ndis@act.gov.au">ndis@act.gov.au</a>

#### My Access Checker

My Access Checker is an online tool that only takes a couple of minutes to complete and will help you understand if you, or someone you know, might be able to access assistance from the NDIS.

Go to <a href="http://www.ndis.gov.au/my-access-checker">http://www.ndis.gov.au/my-access-checker</a> for more information.

#### **Community Conversations**

Community Conversations, facilitated by the Peer-led Working Group, are semi-formal or very informal conversations held in community places to talk about topics of shared interest. Participants share ideas and inspirations, get information and have the opportunity to have misinformation clarified, hear from people who have walked a similar journey and may have the same fears and concerns about the future.

The next conversation is "Making your own Decisions". In the NDIAS you will be able to make decisions over your supports and services.

Come to this Community Conversation to find out:

- How to make more of your own decisions
- Support you can use to make decisions
- How to support a person to decide

Tea and Coffee provided.

When: 6PM to 9PM,

6PM to 9PM, Tuesday 27 May 2014

Where: Hellenic Club Woden

RSVP: Bookings are essential: Phone Lisa on 6205 2122 or email: <a href="mailto:ndis@act.gov.au">ndis@act.gov.au</a>

For more information call Kate at ADACAS on 6242 5060 or email kate@adacas.org.au



#### Safeguards

Safeguards are specific measures in a disability support system that aim to minimise the risk of harm to a person with a disability and protect their right to be safe.

All state and territory governments agreed that until a national approach to quality and safeguards is established under the NDIS, existing jurisdictional safeguards will be maintained.

The NDIS will mean changes to the way specialist disability services are funded. In some cases, where legislative safeguards are dependent on the funding relationship between government and providers, those safeguards will no longer automatically apply. This is because the current legislation is largely drafted in a manner that relies on the existing roles of government as the funder of disability services and the current authority exerted through contracts between government and disability service providers.

To ensure we continue to have robust safeguards in the ACT during the transition to the NDIS, amendments to the *Disability Services Act 1991* have been drafted and presented in the legislative assembly. These are scheduled for debate in early June, and, if passed, will commence 1 July 2014.

These amendments will ensure existing minimum safeguards and quality standards remain in an environment where there is no contract between a service provider and the government.

This is a transitional arrangement, which will stand until a national safeguarding framework takes the place of existing state-based systems.

This nationally consistent quality and safeguards framework will mean that people with disability will be able to expect the same standards and safeguards wherever they live in Australia.

Until that time, we are working to ensure all current safeguards in the ACT will continue to apply.

#### Sector Development – Business Investment Packages

The ACT Government has secured \$12.5 million to help build capacity in the disability sector.

The next sector development initiative available to service providers is the Business Investment Package.

The packages will provide tailored professional assistance valued at up to \$50,000 to implement complex strategic change management related to governance, organisational structure, service design and/or establishment, workforce redevelopment and human resource management ahead of introduction of the NDIS.

Ten packages are available in the first instance.

The Business Investment Package will allow organisations to select from a panel of consultants able to provide medium term business advice and mentoring to implement reform plans related to the NDIS transition.

More information is available at <a href="http://www.communityservices.act.gov.au/disability">http://www.communityservices.act.gov.au/disability</a> act/national disability insurance scheme/ser vices-providers

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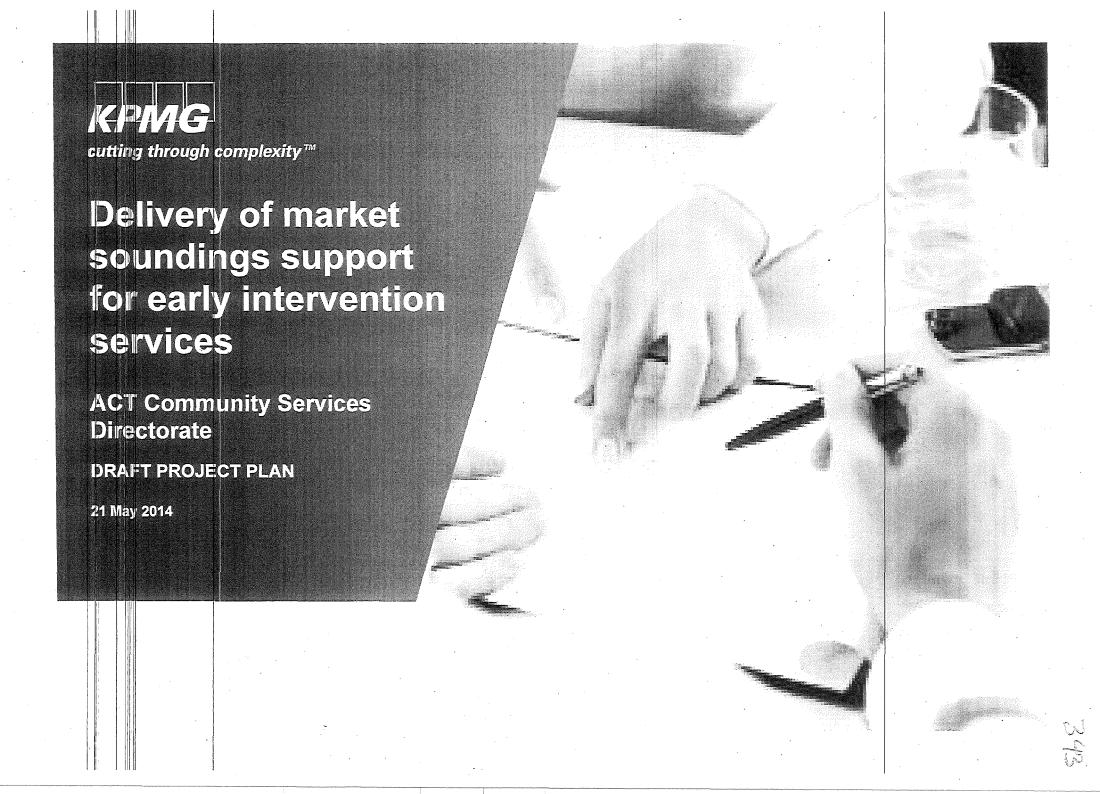
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Doyle, Nicki

Subject:

FW: Project Plan

Attachments:

draft project plan for ACT v1.pdf

Dear all

Please find the draft project plan.

Could you please get back to me as soon as possible if you have comments re timelines etc etc so we can finalise.

Following the hook-up this evening, Nicki and I thought slide 7 would be a useful slide to talk to on Monday's forum Regards

Kate

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Regards,

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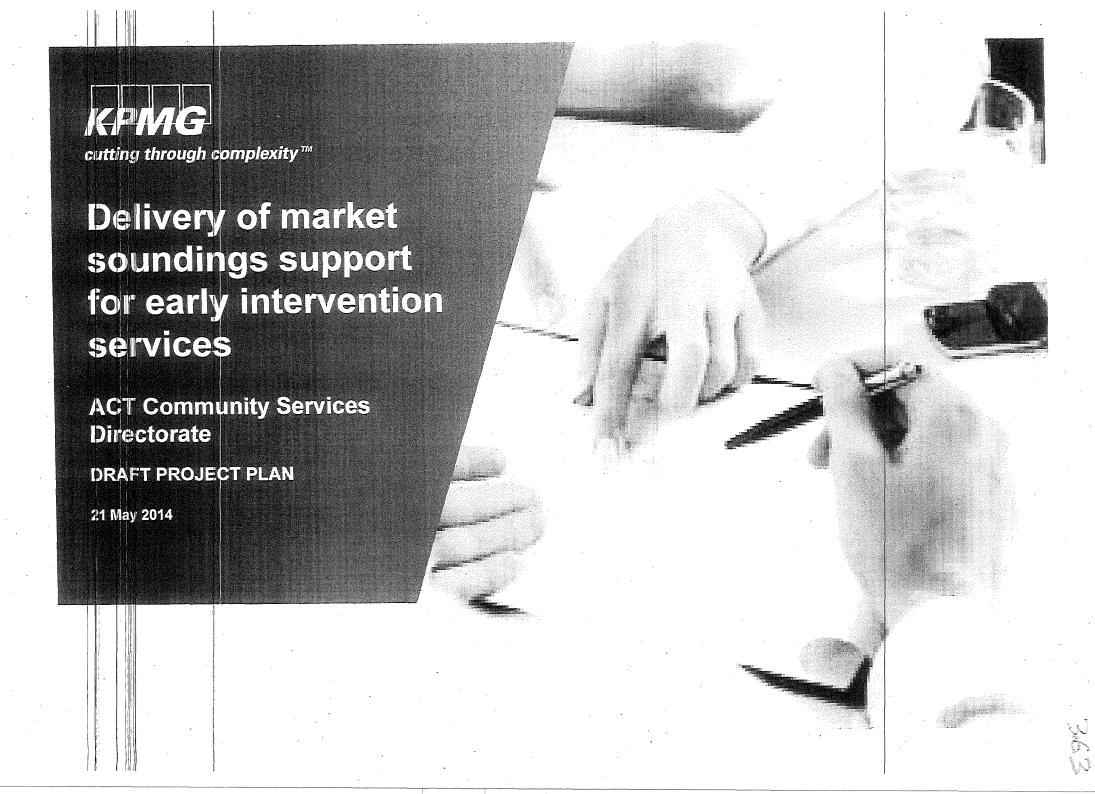
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## KPMG

#### Introduction

#### **Project context**

KPING has been engaged to provide market sounding support to successfully transitioning Early Intervention Services to the non-government sector, whilst also improving the current model of care.

#### Project context

Against the context of the introduction of the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS), the Community Services Directorate (CSD) and Education and Training Directorate (ETD) is assessing options for transitioning its directly provided Early Intervention Services to non government organisations (NGOs).

In order to ensure that the ACT is best prepared for an NDIS environment, ETD are assessing the options to transition existing Early Intervention Services to the non government sector. A service transition will provide the opportunity to help establish greater choice for individuals with a disability, build a stronger and more sustainable service across ACT and ensure that high quality and safe services continue to be delivered.

It is vital that through any potential transition of services, individuals currently supported by Early Intervention Services continue to receive the level of support needed, that quality assurance arrangements and safeguards are maintained, and provider supply is sustainable. As such, CSD has sought to inform the planning of transitioning arrangements through a number of targeted conversations with NGO providers. KPMG is providing support during this process.



### KPIIG

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#### Project scope

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High level desktop review (20 – 30 pages) to identify best practice models for early intervention based on national and international practice and research, which will be largely drawn from existing literature scans provided by Disability ACT.

A programme of market sounding interviews with up to 25 non government organisations who may be interested in the delivery of ACT Early Intervention Services.

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A programme of seven focus groups with clients (parents, families and carers) in order to identify opportunities for service model improvement and to inform thinking regarding the attributes of a preferred provider.

Analysis of the outcomes of sector conversations in order to inform the options available to government in transitioning of services. This analysis will provide an overview of initial provider interest, capacity, possible service models/programs, capability, risks and recommissioning considerations.

The scope will exclude the following:

Early Intervention Service level analysis: In order to complete our activities, KPMG will require a good understanding of the existing service with information provided from Education and Training Directorate, however this will not involve KPMG performing a detailed analysis of it.

The development of procurement or tender specifications.

Specific research into the capacity of providers to perform a transaction beyond that stated by providers during the course of interviews.

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Deliverable: Project plan

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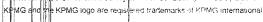
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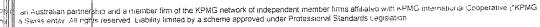
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