# NDIS Essential Briefing Program

# One day, eight cities, July to August 2017

## Register now for the essential NDIS event not to miss

The NDIS is now well on its way to full implementation. While it remains the right reform for Australia, there is no question the scale and complexity of implementation is placing great pressure on all stakeholders, including service providers.

A key focus of this year’s NDIS Essential Briefing series will be the next steps to get the NDIS on track.

NDS will present you with our plan for the way forward to ensure a strong and sustainable disability services sector and an NDIS that delivers on its great promise to people with disability and their families.

The series will include ample time for questions and discussion so that your organisation is equipped and on board.

With almost 2,000 CEOs and senior managers attending last year, the NDIS Essential Briefing is fast becoming one of our most popular events.

Demand will be high, be sure to register early to secure your place.

**Cost:** $160 Member; $320 non-member

[Register now, here](https://www.nds.org.au/events-and-training/ndis-essential-briefing).

## Dates and Locations

**Perth 18 July:** 9.30am - 3.30pm, Technology Park Function Centre

**Adelaide 24 July:** 9.30am - 3.30pm, Hilton Adelaide

**Canberra 25 July:** 9.30am - 3.30pm, National Convention Centre

**Darwin 31 July:** 9.00am - 3.00pm, Darwin Convention Centre

**Brisbane 1 August:** 9.30am - 3.30pm, Brisbane Convention Centre

**Hobart 7 August:** 9.30am - 3.30pm, Hotel Grand Chancellor, Hobart

**Melbourne 8 August:** 9.30am - 3.30pm, Melbourne Convention Centre

**Sydney 14 August:** 9.30am - 3.30pm, Hilton Sydney

## Preliminary Program (All cities)

**Welcome - State Manager**

**Strategic overview - Ken Baker, Chief Executive**

• The state of play of the NDIS, including the politics, funding, governance and regulation

• The scale and complexity of implementation placing pressure on all stakeholders, including service providers

• Strengthening the role of employment support

• What is working and what needs to change

**The NDIS Campaign - Katherine McLellan, Director of Communications**

• The rationale for a campaign

• Tactics, actions and activities

• How service providers can get involved

**Questions**

**Morning Tea**

**Pricing and benchmarking - Philippa Angley, Executive Officer to the Chief Executive**

• An analysis of NDIS prices for 2017-18

• What the Productivity Commission is saying about NDIS costs

• An update on financial benchmarking for the sector

**Workforce - Caroline Alcorso, National Manager (Workforce Development)**

• How the NDIS is affecting the workforce

• Understanding and responding to the risks and opportunities ahead

• NDS initiatives that can assist your organisation

**Questions**

**Lunch**

**NDIA update - NDIA Representative**

**Questions and discussions with all presenters**