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Dear Ranee and Andrew

Thank you for your correspondence of 25 February 2025 to the Hon Dr Anne Aly MP, the former Minister Assisting the Minister for the National Disability Insurance Scheme about registered paramedics in home care, disability care and community care. Your correspondence was referred to Senator the Hon Jenny McAllister, Minister for the National Disability Insurance Scheme as this matter falls with her portfolio responsibilities. The Minister has asked me to respond. I apologise for the delay in responding.

Thank you for sharing information about your community paramedic-led approach to delivering multidisciplinary homecare and disability services. I acknowledge the recommendations shared on the use of community paramedics in a range of environments, including disability, aged care and homecare.

The National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) only funds disability-related health supports that relate to the functional impact of a participant's disability. Under current arrangements, disability-related health supports can be delivered by disability support workers, therapists and nurses, as defined in the NDIS Pricing Arrangements and Price Limits (PAPL).

The types of disability-related health support the NDIS funds include supports to manage dysphagia, diabetes, continence, wound and pressure care, respiration, nutrition, podiatry and foot care and seizures. Further information can be found on the NDIS website at <https://ourguidelines.ndis.gov.au/supports-you-can-access-menu/disability-related-health-supports>

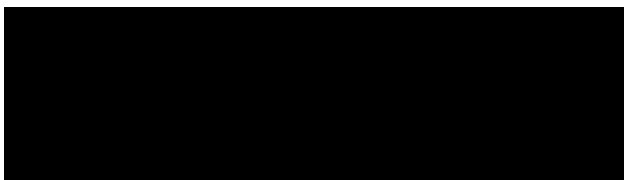
We will continue to monitor the need for including new professions, such as paramedics, to the PAPL. Any addition to the professions listed in the PAPL would be undertaken in consultation with the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency and the NDIS Quality and Safeguards Commission to determine suitability and what supports may be appropriate for a particular profession to provide.

I understand that the regulatory body for paramedics, the Paramedicine Board of Australia, has recently conducted public consultation on a proposal to regulate advanced practice paramedics, including providing care in the community.

The outcome of this consultation, when available, may be a consideration in any future NDIS reforms.

Thank you again for writing.

Yours sincerely



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