



Information Update – January 2019

Illawarra Shoalhaven Partners in Recovery (ISPIR) is transitioning to the NDIS. Requests for PIR services will no longer be accepted after 25 January 2019.

A summary of these changes are outlined below.

ISPIR Transition to the NDIS	NDIS Transition commenced on 1 July 2017. ISPIR is supporting all current PIR participants who wish to engage with the NDIS to make applications to the scheme.
PIR Support Facilitators providing Support Coordination to NDIS participants	The role of ISPIR Support Facilitators will be to transition all PIR participants deemed eligible to the NDIS. PIR participants who receive an NDIS package of supports will be required to have their support package coordinated by PIR. Support coordination will be provided by PIR as ‘in-kind’ funding to the NDIS in the 2018–19 financial year.
Program Capacity	PIR is a ‘capped’ program from 1 July 2017 which limits the number of participants we can work with. ISPIR will no longer accept requests for services after 25 January 2019. We will continue to support community members and stakeholders to access alternate services.
People not eligible for the NDIS	PIR participants that are not eligible for an NDIS package of supports will remain in the PIR program for as long as required or until the program ceases on 30 June 2019. The Australian Government is finalising arrangements for continuity of supports for NDIS ineligible PIR participants to take effect from 1 July 2019.
Program Duration	PIR will cease as a program from 1 July 2019 as full scheme roll-out of the NDIS is complete across NSW.

If you have any questions about these changes, please direct them to your local PIR Support Facilitator or contact the PIR Team at Grand Pacific Health on 1800 228 987