

## **Question on Notice**

**No. 948**

**Asked on 12 June 2019**

**DR C ROWAN ASKED THE DEPUTY PREMIER, TREASURER AND MINISTER FOR ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER PARTNERSHIPS (HON J TRAD)—**

### **QUESTION:**

Will the Deputy Premier advise what actions the Queensland Government has planned to address the unique challenges faced by remote Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders transitioning to the National Disability Insurance Scheme?

### **ANSWER:**

The Federal Government's National Disability Insurance Agency (NDIA) is responsible for the transition of eligible Queenslanders to the Scheme, including new clients. The Queensland Government has been working with the NDIA, Indigenous health and community based services and regional and remote communities, to assist Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Queenslanders in remote parts of the State with access to the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS). While the State Government has a role to play in assisting existing State clients with their transition to the NDIS, it remains the role of the NDIA to ensure the timely engagement of existing State clients to facilitate their transition to the NDIS.

I am advised that, to the extent the State Government has a role in transitioning people into the scheme, this matter falls within the responsibilities of the Minister for Communities and Minister for Disability Services and Seniors.