

Government of Western Australia Mental Health Commission

The Mental Health Commission Individualised Community Living Strategy and the National Disability Insurance Scheme

The National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) is currently being rolled out across Western Australia. This flyer outlines the current interface between the Mental Health Commission's (MHC) Individualised Community Living Strategy (ICLS) and the NDIS.

The ICLS is a service provided to support individuals to live independently in the community, with drop in supports and to aid them working towards their recovery.

The current situation in relation to the NDIS is outlined below:

People currently in the ICLS:

- The MHC encourages people to seek support to test their eligibility for assistance offered through the NDIS, although people do not have to have their eligibility tested.
- If people have been found eligible for the NDIS then they have to exit the ICLS. They cannot choose whether they stay in ICLS or move into the NDIS.
- If individuals currently in ICLS are found eligible for the NDIS they do not have to move out of their house.

 If individuals are in ICLS with a standalone package of support and are found eligible for the NDIS, the ICLS package of support will continue until they are fully transitioned into the NDIS.

Eligibility for nomination into the ICLS:

- Individuals who have been found eligible for the NDIS medical and physical supports, but NOT psychosocial supports, are eligible to apply for the ICLS program; and
- If individuals have been found eligible for the NDIS, they cannot return to the ICLS.

If you have any further queries, please contact Alison Elgar from the Mental Health Commission via <u>alison.elgar@mhc.gov.wa.au</u>

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