



***"MEDIA RELEASE"***  
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# **REMINDER: Meeting 12<sup>th</sup> October at 11am**

***Media Release: - Tuesday 5th October 2010***

As Federal ALP continues to blunder along treating serious disability issues like a rhetorical joke the anger is rising in the disability sector.

Last weeks attached media release from Shadow Minister for Disability Mitch Fifield will cause increasing angst.

Disability Speaks is committed to driving NDIS

REMINDER: Our next scheduled meeting, open to all comers as usual will be held on Tuesday Oct 12th at 11.00am at Disability Information Resource Centre (DIRC) in Gilles street. Agenda items will include,

- NDIS, what do we do next?
- Unmet need waiting lists in SA, action required?
- Proposed SA protest rally, Thurs Dec 2nd?
- Federal representation?

Please circulate this email widely and see you at the meeting!

Plus, the super strong on-line advocacy group [◆GetUp◆](http://getup.uservoice.com/forums/60819-campaign-ideas) continues to seek feedback on what cause it should campaign for next: see <http://getup.uservoice.com/forums/60819-campaign-ideas>

Currently outperforming all other causes is a National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS). Given there are 200,000 NDA clients and allegedly some 1.6 million

Australians with disability the response at this stage is however modest. NDIS should be being promoted by every disability agency, NGO and advocacy group and encouraging every member to sign on to this non political campaign via GetUp.

It is time for the sector to stand together or wear the consequences.

See you on October 12th at DIRC, there is a lot of work ahead to drive real change

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