

## NDIS should mean.....

"Services are entitlement funded". "When one pays, one is entitled - It is not a hand-out!"

Medicare is not a hand-out, as we all pay a Medicare Levy. NDIS is just an increase in this levy. So the existing Medicare services are extended to include defined services for people with a disability.

The question is, "How extensive will the list of services be?" The natural ones are, Wheelchairs and Walking Frames. The other end of the range would be, "Ongoing funding for persons living in group homes".

In contrast to the NDIS concept, the present funding is from general government revenue. As each social area fights for a share of the cake, it's a hand-out. Whereas the NDIS concept means one (a person with a disability) has a right to whatever one is defined (by a "specialist) as needing, or is within the defined NDIS/Medicare funded services list.

The fights will be:

1. To get the general public to agree to pay extra Medicare Levy.
2. The range (list) of services under NDIS/Medicare.
3. Who will be authorised to define a person's needs.