

Senator the Hon Jenny McAllister Minister for the National Disability Insurance Scheme

Ref No: MS25-001068

The Hon Kate Washington MP
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Dear Minister Kate

I refer to the Commonwealth Accessible Australia initiative – Tranche One Federation Funding Agreement (the schedule) between the Commonwealth and the Government of New South Wales (NSW) executed on 7 August 2025.

Under the schedule, the Commonwealth has committed to providing an additional one-off Project Coordination Fund (PCF) payment of \$112,639.80 to NSW upon purchase or commencement of a total facility count of five or more eligible facilities.

The Department of Health, Disability and Ageing recently received advice from the Commonwealth Department of Treasury (Treasury) that the PCF is not included in the performance milestones under Table 2 of the signed schedule. Without a description of the milestone, payment date and payment amount, Treasury is unable to release the PCF payment.

To address this, the department is seeking your support to vary the schedule to include the one-off PCF milestone under Table 2. The updated schedule will be reflected through the additions at Attachment A to this letter, including due date, performance requirements and the financial contribution profile.

This letter, together with your signed response, will serve as the formal agreement between the Commonwealth and NSW regarding this variation. Please indicate your agreement to these terms by providing a signed response to the department directly to AccessibleAustralia@health.gov.au by no later than Thursday 16 October 2025.

Yours sincerely

Jenny McAllister

26/9/2025

Attachment A

Table 2: Performance requirements, reporting and payment summary

Addition to the existing Table 2 of the Commonwealth Accessible Australia initiative – Tranche One Federation Funding Agreement between the Commonwealth and NSW.

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Output	Performance milestones	Due Date	Payment
Commenced 5 eligible facilities	Commonwealth acceptance of a submission by NSW, confirming that they have met the Project Coordination Fund eligibility.	Not Applicable	\$112,639.80 Note: Payment will be released upon the Commonwealth's receipt of evidence of purchase or commencement of construction for each of the 5 eligible facilities that qualify NSW to meet the Project Coordination Fund threshold.

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Dear Minister,

Thank you for your letter dated 26 September 2025 regarding the Accessible Australia, Federation Funding Agreement (FFA) executed on 7 August 2025 between the Commonwealth and New South Wales.

I acknowledge the requirement for the FFA to include the one-off Project Coordination Fund milestones under Table 2 of the agreement.

Please accept this letter as confirmation of agreement to vary the FFA to allow for this to occur.

I look forward to our continued collaboration to ensure high quality accessible facilities for people with disability across NSW.

If your officials would like more information or to discuss this matter further, please contact James Malin who is the A/Director Disability Inclusion and Seniors at james.malin1@dcj.nsw.gov.au or on 0478 095 370.

Sincerely,

Kate Washington MP

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