

National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) Queensland Update



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Rollout targets recap

- Under the Queensland Bilateral Agreement around:
 - 15,000 people will enter the Scheme in year 1
 - 16,000 people will enter the Scheme in year 2
 - 60,000 people will enter the Scheme in year 3
- Queensland NDIS Operational Plan is guiding implementation



Rollout schedule recap

Region	Date
Townsville, Hinchinbrook, Burdekin, west to Mt Isa, and up to the gulf	1 July 2016
Mackay, Isaac and Whitsundays	1 November 2016
Toowoomba and west to the borders	1 January 2017
Ipswich, Lockyer, Scenic Rim and Somerset	1 July 2017
Bundaberg	1 October 2017
Rockhampton, Gladstone and west to the borders	1 January 2018
Logan and Redlands	1 July 2018
Cairns, Cassowary Coast, Tablelands, Croydon, Etheridge, Cape York and Torres Strait	1 July 2018
Brisbane	1 July 2018
Fraser Coast, North Burnett, South Burnett and Cherbourg	1 July 2018
Gold Coast and Hinterland	1 July 2018
Moreton Bay including Strathpine and Caboolture	1 January 2019
Sunshine Coast, Noosa and Gympie	1 January 2019



NDIS rollout stages



NDIS
transition
Plan approvals
commence

6 months out:

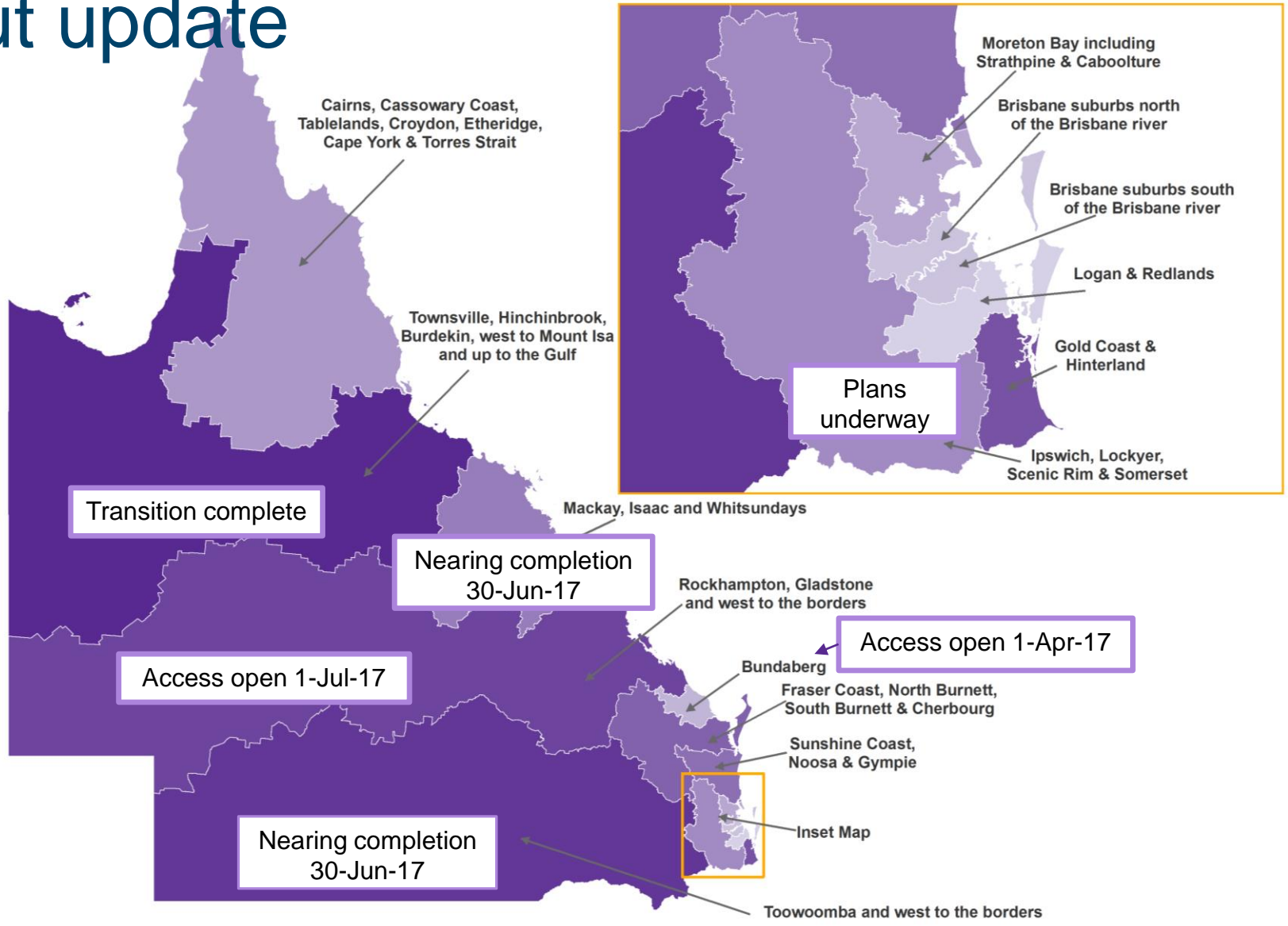
LACs on the ground

3 months out:

Planners on the ground



Rollout update



Progress

- As at 27 April 5,467 participants with NDIS have approved plans
- Townsville and Mackay, achieved approximately 50% of the bilateral target
- Focus to encourage people with disability who are not receiving services to sign up to the scheme
- Referrals to NDIS are critical – 1800 800 110
www.ndis.gov.au



“Transition takes a lot of time and effort but it is really worth it”

Learnings

- Participate in the readiness and pre-planning activities available
- Have a support person to help through the planning process – friend, family, provider, teacher, guardian
- Consider all of their current supports when discussing needs with the NDIS
- Providers have a major role in client readiness which takes time and commitment to support clients prepare and participate in planning.



Readiness

Participant readiness

Participant readiness initiative
Strategies to assist people experiencing disadvantage or social isolation to engage with the NDIS

Provider readiness

National Disability Services Queensland provides sector development and support activities to organisations
Online readiness tools

Workforce readiness

WorkAbility Qld – Queensland NDIS Workforce Strategy



Questions ?

