

TEI Recommissioning Update – State Peaks

13 November 2024

- The Targeted Earlier Intervention (TEI) recommissioning and sector consultation process has been underway since April 2024. Your engagement and contribution to this part of the recommissioning process has been vitally important in improving the program and the wider early intervention service system.
- The Minister has this week agreed to extend existing contracts and consultation by six months. This will allow alignment with Foundational Supports that are currently being designed with the Commonwealth Government to provide people with disability necessary supports outside the National Disability Insurance Scheme.
- All TEI and Family Connect and Support (FCS) service providers with existing contracts will be extended (under current Program Specifications), for six months until 31 December 2025.
- With the contract extension, new contracts under the TEI program are intended to be for 4.5-years, with the expectation that providers will improve job security outcomes, in line with the Government's Secure Jobs and Funding Certainty election commitment.
- Through the recommissioning process, the Minister intends to at least double ACCO investment from the 7.2% as at August 2023. Increased ACCO funding from within the existing TEI program budget is intended to be achieved with minimal disruption to frontline services.
- The Final TEI Evaluation Report is undergoing approval and is on track for publishing before the end of December.
- The draft TEI Program Specifications are being updated, following initial consultation with the sector. The next draft version is expected to be available on the DCJ website by the end of November, for further consultation. There will also be further sector and Peak engagement on the next version of the Program Specifications.