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**KOoyong NDIS PARTNERS ANNOUNCED**

I am delighted to announce that Latrobe Community Health Service and Link Health and Community have been announced as the successful Local Area Coordination (LAC) and Early Childhood Early Intervention (ECEI) partners to support the rollout of the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) in Kooyong.

LAC services focus on participant capacity building, including plan development, implementation and review. ECEI services deliver outcomes for children and their families through best-practice and family-centred approaches.

With the NDIS due to commence in Inner Eastern Melbourne in November 2017, the appointment of Latrobe Community Health Service and Link Health and Community as the LAC and ECEI partners means local residents with disability will be well supported in their transition to the NDIS.

I congratulate Latrobe Community Health and Link Health and recognise the value their local knowledge and expertise will have in helping eligible residents in Inner Eastern Melbourne enter the NDIS and develop their plans.

It is expected the NDIS will create about 900 new full time equivalent jobs in Inner Eastern Melbourne. The appointment of Latrobe Community Health and Link Health as the Inner Eastern Melbourne LAC and ECEI partners is a great example of the economic investment the NDIS will provide in this region.

I encourage you to talk to your family, friends and colleagues about the NDIS and what it will mean for people with disability and embrace the opportunity to create a more inclusive and accessible community for everyone.

The NDIS will provide about 105,000 Victorians under the age of 65 with a permanent and significant disability with the reasonable and necessary supports they need to live an ordinary life. In Inner Eastern Melbourne it is expected that over 7,500 people will have access to the NDIS.

The Partners in the Community Program which provides funding for community organisations to partner with the National Disability Insurance Agency (NDIA) will help deliver the NDIS across the country. Information about the Partners in the Community Program, including future grant rounds, is available at [www.ndis.gov.au](http://www.ndis.gov.au).

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