New Horizons for Social Workers in the NDIS

This follow up session is for Social Workers wanting to learn more about focussing on the Planner/Coordinator role and the necessary skills needed by practitioners to assist participants to identify and achieve the outcomes they pursue.

Background:
The AASW Victorian Branch has held three sessions last year on the NDIS. The first session covered the overall philosophy of the scheme based on empowering participants to choose what services they want to purchase as compared to a welfare benefit model of service provision. The last two sessions focused on the implementation issues of the scheme in test/pilot areas such as the Barwon Region in Victoria.

Presenters:
Toni Van Hamond - NDIA Director, Community Strategy and Engagement
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The session will cover the following:

- update on the Barwon pilot and Nationally
- the roll out timetable for Victorian regions
- participant outcome data and levels of participant satisfaction
- what makes a successful plan
- summary of approval process of plans submitted by planners
- skills required for the planner/coordinator role
- innovative solutions in working with people with a disability.

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