

Disability Services and Inclusion (Consequential Amendments and Transitional Provisions) Rules 2025

I, Tanya Plibersek, Minister for Social Services, make the following rules.

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Minister for Social Services

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Part 1—Preliminary

1 Name

 This instrument is the *Disability Services and Inclusion (Consequential Amendments and Transitional Provisions) Rules 2025*.

2 Commencement

 This instrument commences on the day after the instrument is registered.

3 Authority

 This instrument is made under item 10 of Schedule 3 of the *Disability Services (Consequential Amendments and Transitional Provisions) Act 2023*.

4 Interpretation

 In this instrument:

***Act*** means the *Disability Services and Inclusion (Consequential Amendments and Transitional Provisions) Act 2023*.

***Advocacy service*** has the same meaning in the DS Act.

***DS Act*** means the *Disability Services Act 1986.*

***DSI Act*** means the *Disability Services and Inclusion Act 2023.*

***Employment service*** has the same meaning in the DS Act.

***Regulated activity*** has the same meaning in the DSI Act.

***Rehabilitation program*** has the same meaning in the DS Act.

***Transition Period*** means the period starting on 1 July 2025 and ending 31 December 2025.

Part 2—Transitional Rules for Certificates of Compliance under the DSI Act

5 Certificates of Compliance issued under DS Act have effect under the DSI Act

 (1) For subparagraph 9(1)(a)(i) of the DSI Act, a person is taken to hold a certificate of compliance for the regulated activity during the transition period if:

 (a) the person holds a certificate of compliance given under section 6D, 6DA or 6E of the DS Act that is in force on 30 June 2025; and

 (b) that certificate under the DS Act is for an:

1. employment service; or
2. advocacy service; or
3. rehabilitation program

 that is a regulated activity in relation to a payment arrangement or grant under section 13 of the DSI Act.

 (2) A certificate of compliance given under section 6D, 6DA or 6E of the DS Act is in force on 30 June 2025 if:

 (a) it has not been revoked by that date; and

 (b) the certification body which gave the certificate has not lost its accreditation.

Note 1: The note to sub-item 4(1) of Schedule 3 of the Act provides that the grants of financial assistance made under Part II of the DS Act before, on or after 1 January 2024 can continue to be administered on and after that day.

Note 2: The note to sub-item 8(1) of Schedule 3 of the Act provides that measures or arrangements made under Part III of the DS Act as in force before 1 January 2024 continues to have effect on and after that day.

Note 3: Sub-item 6(2) of Schedule 3 of the Act provides that an accreditation in force under Part IA of the DS Act immediately before 1 January 2024 continues in force after that day in relation to the continued application of Parts II and III of that Act on and after that day.