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Right to Know

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Dear Emily Lacey

### **Freedom of Information request — Notification of Decision**

Thank you for your correspondence of 4 May 2024, in which you requested access to documents held by the National Disability Insurance Agency (NDIA), under the *Freedom of Information Act 1982* (FOI Act).

The purpose of this letter is to provide you with a decision on your request.

### **Scope of your request**

You have requested access to the following documents:

*“The Technical Advisory Branch compiles research on particular topics. I am requesting a complete list of all TAB “research” document titles. Known examples include:*

— *“Research - Ehlers Danlos Syndrome” (released under FOI 21/22-1232)*

— *“Research - Orthostatic Hypotension Causing Syncope and Hemiplegic Migraines” (released under FOI 23/24-0467)*

— *“Research Request - Postural Orthostatic Tachycardia Syndrome” (released under FOI 23/24-0467)*

— *“Research Paper - Myalgic encephalomyelitis / Chronic fatigue syndrome” (released under FOI 23/24-1015)”*

### **Extension of time**

On 3 June 2024, you agreed to a 30-day extension of time under section 15AA of the FOI Act, making 3 July 2024 the new date to provide you with a decision on access.

## **Decision on access to documents**

I am authorised to make decisions under section 23(1) of the FOI Act. My decision on your request and the reasons for my decision are set out below.

Section 17(1)(c) of the FOI Act provides that an agency can produce a written document containing the requested information, by the use of a computer or other equipment that is ordinarily available for retrieving or collating stored information. We have been able to produce a document containing some of the information you requested. I have, therefore, treated your request as if it were a request for access to this document in accordance with section 17(1)(c) of the FOI Act

I have created 1 document addressing the scope of your request and decided to provide access in full.

The document was collated consulting with relevant NDIA staff who could be expected to be able to identify documents within the scope of the request.

In reaching my decision, I took the following into account:

- your correspondence outlining the scope of your request
- the nature and content of the documents falling within the scope of your request
- the FOI Act
- the FOI Guidelines published under section 93A of the FOI Act
- consultation with relevant NDIA staff

## **Release of documents**

The document for release, as referred to in the Schedule of Documents at **Attachment A**, is enclosed.

## **Rights of review**

Your rights to seek a review of my decision, or lodge a complaint, are set out at **Attachment B**.

Should you have any enquiries concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me by email at [foi@ndis.gov.au](mailto:foi@ndis.gov.au).

Yours sincerely



**Cooper (CHH647)**  
**Senior Freedom of Information Officer**  
Complaints Management & FOI Branch  
General Counsel Division

## Schedule of Documents for FOI 23/24-1189

Document number	Page number	Description	Access Decision	Comments
1	1-7	FOI S17 Document – Research Document Titles	<b>FULL ACCESS</b>	Document created under section 17 of the FOI Act