



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY FOR THE AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY
SELECT COMMITTEE ON ESTIMATES 2012-2013

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**SURVEY OF COMMUNITY AND INDUSTRY GROUPS ON THE ACT BUDGET 2012-2013,
TO BE PRESENTED BY THE ACT GOVERNMENT ON 5 JUNE 2012**

If you wish to respond to this survey, please return it completed to
committees@parliament.act.gov.au, by 9.30AM Tuesday 12 June 2011.

If there is insufficient room for any of your comments, below, please feel free to
append your comments in an extra page. In any appended pages, please give your
comments after you state what question/s you are addressing.

1. **Full name of group/organisation: People With Disabilities ACT Inc**

2. **Name and honorific (Ms, Mr, Dr, etc.) of your organisation's/group's contact person for this survey and their telephone number and email address: Mr robert Altamore**

3. **Has your organisation/group developed a written analysis of the Budget that it would like to submit to the Committee?**
 (If yes, please email it to the Committee Secretariat with your completed Survey.)
Our concerns are listed below.
 No

4. **Please list, in order of priority, your three main areas of concern regarding the ACT Budget 2012-2013:**
Lack of growth funds for Disability Services;
Lack of funding to enable people with disabilities to prepare to exercise choice and manage funds to enable them to benefit from the National Disability Insurance Scheme.
Lack of funding for individual and systemic advocacy services.
a.

b.

c.

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5. **What are your views on the Budget in relation to your priority areas? The budget both fails to provide adequately for people with disabilities in areas of recurrent budget expenditure and fails to provide the necessary new expenditure to enable people with disabilities to transition to the NDIs, to participate in the community.**

6. **Are there any other particular issues with the Budget that you would like to bring to the Committee's attention?** If so, please append a brief outline of the issue/s, in order of priority.

yes

If yes, please comment:

The budget papers are inaccessible for people who are vision impaired who use screen reading software. I received no response to My email to Treasury's Webmaster.

7. **Did you provide a budget submission to the Government? No.**

Yes (go to question 8) No (go to question 9.)

8. **Do you think that the Budget has addressed the issues raised in your submission?**

N/A

Comment (if you wish):

9. Does your organisation/group wish to give its views in a Committee public hearing on 15 June 2012, at the Legislative Assembly, London Circuit, Canberra.

Yes

If you indicate yes, and the Committee decides to invite you to appear at the hearing, the Committee Office will contact you by close of business Wednesday 13 June 2012 to confirm arrangements for your appearance . Please note that the Committee may not be able to hear from all groups/organisations who indicate that they wish to appear.

Thank you.
