Appendix 3 Witnesses at hearings

| Date | Name | Position and Organisation |
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| **Tuesday 26 March 2024****Preston Stanley Room****Parliament House, Sydney** | Ms Sarah Abdou | Solicitor, Australian Centre for Disability Law |
|  | Ms Rebecca Belzer | Solicitor, Australian Centre for Disability Law |
|  | Ms Meredith Hagger | Principal Solicitor, General Practice, Youth Law Australia |
|  | Ms Carey Evelyn Pearson | Acting Solicitor in Charge, Legal Aid NSW |
|  | Ms Natasha Watt | Senior Vice President, NSW Teachers Federation |
|  | Ms Emma Bruce | Organiser, NSW Teachers Federation |
|  | Mrs Lyn Caton | Assistant Secretary, Independent Education Union of Australia NSW/ACT Branch |
|  | Mr Troy Wright | Assistant General Secretary, Public Service Association |
|  | Ms Julie-Ann Bond | Industrial Manager, Public Service Association |
|  | Dr Cherry Baylosis | Policy and Communications Lead, Disability Advocacy NSW |
|  | Ms Nadine Moore | Advisory Committee member, Disability Advocacy NSW |
| **Monday 22 April 2024****Macquarie Room****Parliament House, Sydney** | Gemma | Person with lived experience |
| Child B | Person with lived experience |
| Fiona | Person with lived experience |
|  | Brian | Person with lived experience |
|  | Child A | Person with lived experience |
|  | Andrew | Person with lived experience |
|  | Melissa | Person with lived experience |
|  | Ms Cecile Sullivan Elder | Executive Officer, Family Advocacy |
|  | Ms Libby Gunn | National and NSW Coordinator, Square Peg Round Whole |
|  | Dr Marika Franklin | Member Advocate, Square Peg Round Whole |
|  | Mr Andrew Wilson | Chairperson, Australian Alliance for Inclusive Education (All Means All) |
|  | Mrs Sue Tape*(via videoconference)* | Project Coordinator – Inclusive Education, Children and Young People with Disability Australia |
|  | Ms Nicole Rogerson | Director, Autism Awareness Australia |
|  | Ms Grace Fava OAM | Founder and Chief Executive Officer, Autism and Advisory Support Services |
|  | Ms Sarah Langston*(via videoconference)* | Policy Co-lead, Australian Neurodivergent Parents Association |
|  | Ms Emily McCann*(via videoconference)* | Board member, Executive Committee, Australian Neurodivergent Parents Association and Parent to an Autistic Child |
|  | Mr Julian Laurens | Senior Policy Officer, People with Disability Australia |
|  | Ms Joanne Yates | Acting Deputy Chief Executive Officer, People with Disability Australia |
|  | Ms Charlotte Sangster | Chief Executive Officer, Muscular Dystrophy NSW |
|  | Ms Laura Howard | Senior Community Support Specialist, Muscular Dystrophy NSW |
|  | Mr Chris Edwards | Director – Government Relations, Advocacy, NDIS and Aged Care, Vision Australia |
|  | Mr Brent Phillips | Director – Government Relations, Advocacy, NDIS and Aged Care, Vision Australia |
|  | Ms Shirley Liu | Acting Chief Executive Officer, Deaf Australia |
|  | Ms Catherine Miller | Policy Officer, Deaf Australia |
|  | Ms Janelle Barnes*(via videoconference)* | President, Home Education Association |
|  | Ms Lara Sappl*(via videoconference)* | National Committee Member, Home education Association |
|  | Mr Jason Wong | Executive Director, North Sydney, and Board Secretary, Federation of Parents and Citizens Associations of NSW |
|  | Mr Liam Bowden | Policy and Advocacy Officer, Federation of Parents and Citizens Associations of NSW |
|  | Ms Gabie Le Lievre*(via videoconference)* | Special Education Portfolio Leader, Isolated Children's Parents' Association of NSW |
|  | Ms Annabel Strachan*(via videoconference)* | Rural Schools Portfolio leader, Isolated Children's Parents' Association of NSW |
|  | Mr Jonathan Harms | Chief Executive officer, Mental Health Carers NSW |
| **Tuesday 23 April 2024****Macquarie Room****Parliament House, Sydney** | Dr Sally Howell | President, Australian Association of Special Education NSW Chapter |
| Dr Cathy Little | Associate Professor Special Education and Chair, Initial Teacher Education, Australian Association of Special Education NSW Chapter |
| Mrs Loren Swancutt*(via videoconference)* | Chairperson, Inclusive Educators Australia |
|  | Dr Coral Kemp OAM | Chair, Institute of Special Education |
|  | Dr Jennifer Stephenson | Director, Institute of Special Educators |
|  | Mr Phillip Petrie | Chief Executive Officer, Allevia/NSW Divisional Committee Chair, National Disability Services |
|  | Mrs Morgan Fitzpatrick | Chief Executive officer, Koorana Child & Family Services/NSW Divisional Committee, National Disability Services |
|  | Dr Shannon Schedlich | Chief Executive, Siblings Australia (SibPlan) |
|  | Professor Iona Novak AM | Chair of Allied Health, Cerebral Palsy Alliance |
|  | Ms Sophie Geeves | CPActive Champion and lived experience representative, Cerebral Palsy Alliance |
|  | Mr Damien Griffs*(via videoconference)* | Chief Executive officer, First Peoples Disability Network |
|  | Ms Zoë Robinson | Advocate for Children and Young People |
|  | Ms Ellen Armfield | Person with lived experience |
|  | Ms Sonja Vujanic | Person with lived experience |
|  | Mr Paul Miller | NSW Ombudsman |
|  | Ms Jacqueline Fredman | Deputy Ombudsman (Complaints and Resolution) |
|  | Ms Cecelia Cox | A/Director Operations, NSW Ageing and Disability Commission |
|  | Ms Pamela Cuelho | Manager, Official Community Visiting Scheme, NSW Ageing and Disability Commission |
|  | Mr Martin Graham | Deputy Secretary, Teaching, Learning and Student Wellbeing, NSW Department of Education |
|  | Ms Deborah Summerhayes | Deputy Secretary, Public Schools, NSW Department of Education |
|  | Mr Stephen Brady | Managing Director, TAFE NSW |
|  | Mr Matthew Barden | A/Executive Director, Homelessness, Disability and Seniors, Department of Communities and Justice |
| **Wednesday 12 June 2024****Macquarie Room****Parliament House, Sydney** | Mr B*(via videoconference)* | Autistic Self Advocacy Network |
| Ms C*(via videoconference)* | Autism Awareness Alliance |
| Ms Mairead Foley | National Disability Officer, National Union of Students |
|  | Ms Keira Ademovic | Student Advisor, National Union of Students |
|  | Dr David Roy | Lecturer in Education, University of Newcastle |
|  | Ms Tina Kordrostami | Director, Mental Health Architectural (MHA) Design |
|  | Mr Martin Graham | Deputy Secretary Teaching, Learning and Student Wellbeing, NSW Department of Education |
|  | Mr Paul Martin*(via videoconference)* | Chief Executive Officer, NSW Education Standards Authority (NESA) |
|  | Ms Lisa Ridings | Associate Chief Executive of Student Services, Association of Independent Schools NSW |
|  | Mr Brett Smith | Executive Officer of Operations, AllambiCare |