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Dear Mr Buckley

Thank you for your email of 6 October 2016 to the Chief Executive Officer of the National Disability Insurance Agency (the Agency), Mr David Bowen, about the Agency's Early Childhood Early Intervention (ECEI) approach for autistic children. Mr Bowen has asked me to respond on his behalf. I apologise for the delay in responding.

I appreciate you taking the time to contact the Agency with your concerns and to provide feedback.

The Agency continues to consult with experts such as the Cooperative Research Centre for Living with Autism and advocacy groups around the ECEI approach. The Agency values the experience and knowledge from these important groups of stakeholders.

The Agency's culture of continual improvement means that your feedback will be taken on board, and considered further when communicating to the public about the ECEI approach in future.

Thank you again for your email.

Yours sincerely

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Stephanie Gunn General Manager Community Linkages

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