



THE SENATE

COMMUNITY AFFAIRS REFERENCES COMMITTEE

Grandparents who take primary responsibility for raising their grandchildren

**PUBLIC HEARING
Friday 13 June 2014**

**Macquarie Room
NSW Parliament, Sydney**

Time	Witness
9.00 am	Dr Bridget Jenkins, Research Associate
9.45 am	Grandparent and Kinship Carers Association Inc. Mid North Coast (via teleconference) (Submission 79) Dr Stephen Nicholson, President Ms Annette Nicholson, Committee Member Ms Merylyn O'Neill, Policy Officer
10.15 am	North West Grandparents Raising Grandchildren Tasmania (via teleconference) (Submission 100) Mr George Lee, Secretary
10.45 am	Morning tea
11.00 am	Dr Jan Backhouse (via teleconference) (Submission 51)
11.30 am	CREATE Foundation (Submission 136) Ms Kelly Bucknall, Community Facilitator Miss Kathleen
12.15 pm	UnitingCare Community QLD (via teleconference) (Submission 59) Ms Julie Argeros, Service Co-ordinator Ms Christine Procopis, Manager BlueCare Multicultural Services (via teleconference) (Submission 88) Mrs Gaby Heuft, Multicultural Advisor Mrs Mercedes Sepulveda, Multicultural Service Manager
1.00 pm	Lunch
1.45 pm	Shoalcoast Community Legal Centre Inc (Submission 87) Ms Meredith McLaine, Solicitor Mr Brett Fahey, Area Manager, NSW South Coast, Mission Australia Ms Mary Jean Kelly, Aboriginal Family Law Support Worker The Aged-care Rights Service Inc. (Submission 64) Mr Tom Cowen, Manager Legal Services Mrs Margaret Small, Solicitor

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2.45 pm	Winangay Resources (<i>Submission 107</i>) Aunty Suzanne Blacklock, Chair Mrs Gillian Bonser, Board Member, Co-Founder and Developer Ms Paula Hayden, Public Officer
3.15 pm	Australian Human Rights Commission (via teleconference) (<i>Submission 133</i>) Professor Gillian Triggs, President
4.15 pm	<i>Adjournment</i>