

I wish to make a submission to the Senate inquiry into the youth allowance changes. My daughter is planning to study Speech Pathology at Newcastle University in 2011. This is the closest university that offers this course to Tamworth which is 4 hours travel, therefore she will have no option but to relocate to Newcastle.

We are continually reminded that regional areas are desperate for trained professionals in many jobs, yet these are the very people we are disadvantaging by exempting them from the Youth Allowance. Surely through this allowance the government is encouraging regional youth to gain tertiary education.

Do we all need to move to the city to educate our children.

Yours sincerely

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