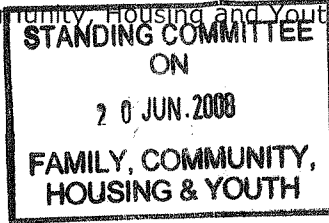


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(Inq into better support for carers)

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Dear Secretary

I wish to make a submission to the House of Representatives Standing Committee on Family, Community, Housing and Youth's Inquiry into Better Support for Carers.

As a Carer, I feel that my role is

To ensure the Well-being of the patient, that is happiness; physically; mentally; everyday needs. This is an impossibility to place on one-person's shoulders if severe illness is involved.

I face the following problems ...

Blindness; acute confusion; general dependence for every aspect to daily living.

I get nothing from any care-organisation other than "You're on the list!!!"

I need help with ...

every aspect of caring. To be put on the "EACH" Waiting list for over nine-months is unjust. A liaison officer appointed to help and do things for me the carer I not just hand out endless trails of paper. The middle management do nothing constructive - they're generally 9-3 job sitters.

I think the Government can better help Carers by ...

Ignoring middle-management and working more with carers and those that provide. One Organisation still means different people - no-one knows.

Thank you for taking my views into consideration as part of the Committee's Inquiry. I look forward to reviewing any recommendations you make to improve life for Carers in Australia.

Yours sincerely

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