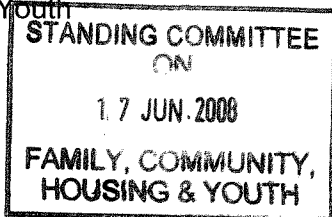


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Inquiry into Better Support for Carers  
House of Representatives Standing Committee on Family,  
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Submission No. 81  
(Inq into better support for carers)  
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Dear 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.

I am submitting to the Inquiry because...

Carers Voices need to be  
Constantly in the Govt head, as  
Carers perform most of the useful  
work that keep our civilization ethical

More information is attached on a separate sheet

1. The role and contribution of carers in society

As a carer, I feel that my role is...

Carers are the voices of those they care  
for + care about. Often the sick  
lonely & isolated are marginalised  
& dismissed - The carers voice  
keeps the Govt. on their toes.

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2. The barriers to social and economic participation for carers

As a carer, I face the following problems ...

Who will look after the dependent,  
whilst I work for an income.  
How will I as a carer be able to  
participate socially + community  
wise, if no one is looking after  
the dependent person or persons  
We need more innovative access to relief from caring

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**3. The practical measures required to better support carers**

As a carer, I need help with ...

Day to day fedriveness of being  
a carer - someone to listen to me  
when I have reached the end of  
my tether.

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**4. Strategies to assist carers to access opportunities and choices**

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

Acknowledge daily weekly that  
we are performing the significant  
work of a civilized society. Don't  
ever forget it, its an easy "blip"  
into uncivilized behaviour as a  
community, then <sup>no one cares.</sup>

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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.

CHRISTINE

Print your name

Date

11-6-08