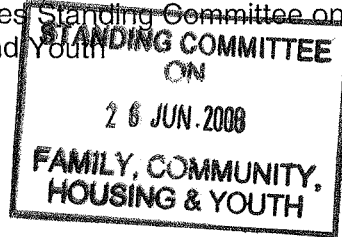


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House of Representatives Standing Committee on Family,
Community, Housing and Youth
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Submission No. 532
(Inq into better support for carers)



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...

I AM A CARER FOR MY HUSBAND HE HAS
NO HIP CANNOT WALK AT ALL WITHOUT CRUTCHES.

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...

FULL TIME HE CAN ONLY BE LEFT ON
HIS OWN A FEW HOURS A DAY

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2. The barriers to social and economic participation for carers

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

I HAVE TO BE HOME AT NIGHT AND
FOR ALL MEALS TO HELP HIM WITH MEDICATION
AND TO DRESS HIMSELF

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3. The practical measures required to better support carers

As a carer, I need help with ...

IT WOULD BE NICE TO HAVE MORE
MONEY THAN \$50 00 A WEEK TO KEEP THE
PATIENT HOME. WE ARE SAVING THE HOSPITAL
& NURSING HOME A LOT OF MONEY.

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4. Strategies to assist carers to access opportunities and choices

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

IF THE CARERS COULD HAVE A HOLIDAY AND
LEAVE A TRUSTWORTHY PERSON TO COME INTO
THE HOME TO STAY AND DO THE CHORES AND
LOOK AFTER THE PATIENT THEY WOULD NOT
NEED TO GO INTO LOW CARE (NURSING HOME)
AND WOULD BE HAPPY More information is attached on a separate sheet
IN THEIR OWN HOME, ONLY IF WOULD ~~BE~~
COST THE SAME MONEY AS RESPITE CARE.

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

Print your name *V*

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Date

23-6-08