

Committee Secretary
Inquiry into Better Support for Carers
House of Representatives Standing Committee on Family,
Community, Housing and Youth
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STANDING COMMITTEE
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FAMILY, COMMUNITY,
HOUSING & YOUTH

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 want to support other carers who are in the same position as myself.

And they need all the support physically, emotionally & practically they can get.

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...

To look after my husband who no longer works he can't focus on employment hasn't for 10 years now. At this stage he isn't too bad. But my role is to run the home care for his medication, needs his pediatric needs his health in general. All the financial details are up to me Bills D's tax balancing the budget etc.

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2. The barriers to social and economic participation for carers

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

The carer is not really accepted in society when they do go out no one talks to them much they are still isolated & they rely heavily on me the carer. They can't participate to help themselves perhaps making wills etc free from such expense would help a lot.

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More assistance with D's accounts chemists etc

3. The practical measures required to better support carers

As a carer, I need help with ...

Other carers would require people to stay in the home when they go out which puts a lot of stress on the carer to get back home in time etc. More home fill in carers for more days in the week are needed.

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4. Strategies to assist carers to access opportunities and choices

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

Providing more respite facilities with good nursing care clean well run happy places more of them. So we can access them more readily & not feel guilty because our lives are really on hold for now & we aren't getting any younger. So life is running out for us. Perhaps making financial advise & ~~lower~~ less expensive lawyers.

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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.

Yours sincerely

Print your name

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Date

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