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(Inq into better support for carers)

HOUSING & YOUTH

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Committee Secretary,  
Standing Committee on Family,  
Community, Housing and Youth,  
P.O. Box 6021  
House of Representatives,  
Parliament House,  
Canberra ACT 2600.

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 can't fully participate  
in a social life because  
I'm a carer for my mother. My  
mother is at times depressed,  
severe left cerebral vascular  
accident - with dense right  
hemiplegia - also large benign  
brain tumour removed.

THE THINGS THAT STRESS ME  
THE MOST ABOUT BEING A  
CARER, ARE LACK OF COMMUNICATION  
WITH MY SIBLINGS, PEOPLE IN THE

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Community business people,  
other associations due to,  
my social deprivation.

I do wonder if CASE  
managers for CARERS would  
be a help. I do worry about  
my future because of lack  
of harmony with the community  
where I reside.

I do think the government  
can better help CARERS by  
HAVING CONFIDENTIAL CASE  
MANAGERS - if I had ANOTHER  
CARER CLOSE by - maybe perhaps  
I'd be able to work part-time.

My MAIN SOURCE of income  
is a GOVERNMENT CARERS PENSION.

My LATE FATHER WAS MY MOTHERS  
MAIN CARER WITH HELP from

my LATE SISTER. IN 1995

I HAD Guillain-Barre Syndrome  
Prior to this I had cancer 1993

HAVING Chemotherapy for  
TEN MONTHS - due to

my illness I came  
to COONAMBLE to care  
for my mother. - I was  
ON NEW START for a few  
years until I went  
ON to the CARERS  
PENSION.

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With a mortgage left of \$35,000  
others debts of my Late Fathers  
NEW INSTALLATION of a  
SHOWER for disabled (toilet) Person

At times with LITTLE  
or NO community liaisons  
OR UNDERSTANDINGS Life  
does become tiresome

Yours Sincerely,

BEVERLEY

Add:- Life was a LITTLE  
easier with my Late Father  
being ON A 100% War Service  
PENSION.

DIFFICULT WITH FOUR FAMILY  
MEMBERS WITH CANCER.