

Submission No. 859
(Inq into better support for carers)

Sample Submission

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Secretary
Inquiry into Better Support for Carers
Standing Committee on Family, Community, Housing and Youth
PO 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.

You might wish to use any or all of the following starting points in your submission:

My role as a carer is... to look after my mother-in-law who is 85 and has dementia, 24 hrs a day
I contribute to society by... look after my mother-in-law, dementia, 24 hrs a day
I think this should be recognised by... and helping others in similar cases

My caring role affects my life by... me disrespectfully
I find it difficult financially because... we are not eligible for the carer's payments.
The barriers I experience as a carer in finding and/or retaining employment are... I would have to take my mother-in-law to work with me.

The practical measures that would better support me are... That Centrelink recognize what we do as carers
This support would assist me to... Look after my mother-in-law in the best way for her and assist more.

Thank you for taking my views into consideration as part of the Committee's Inquiry. I look forward to reviewing the recommendations you make in order to improve support for carers.

Yours sincerely

[Sign your name - if a hard copy]

[Type or clearly print your name]

Jennifer