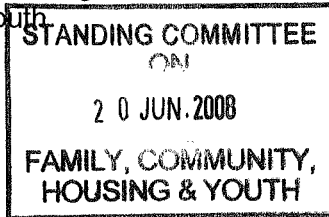


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Inquiry into Better Support for Carers
House of Representatives Standing Committee on Family,
Community, Housing and Youth
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Submission No. 272
(Inq into better support for carers)

A.O.C. 30/6/08



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 feel that people don't have enough say in what's really involved been a carer for someone.

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 be there for the person doesn't matter who they are you're caring for. Meeting their needs as best as you honestly can.

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2. The barriers to social and economic participation for carers

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

When I'm out completely example broke leg in Dec. I had no back up at all. My husband tried his best as we also got 3 boys & under 13 yr old. Husband's back is not 100%. When I rang Council for an extra 1 hr it was total impossible. That really hurt my feelings.

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3. The practical measures required to better support carers

As a carer, I need help with ...

More cleaning I only get 1 hr a fortnight with the amount of time I put into my mother's care I haven't got the time to keep my cleaning up to date.

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4. Strategies to assist carers to access opportunities and choices

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

In my situation cause I can only give my kids limited activities, he should be able to see everyone's situation in my case I only make ends meet. I tried working 15 hrs a week and in the end I couldn't couple with ~~having~~ doing other stuff for my whole family.

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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.

Print your name

Anna

Date

17/6/08