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INQUIRY INTO REGISTERED NURSES IN NEW SOUTH WALES NURSING HOMES

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I would like to support the protest to drop registered nurses in aged care.

I have a mother aged 98 in aged care, she is mentally 100% able but very frail.

I as the daughter am very dependent on professional registered nurses to look after her 24 hours.

My mother is on oxygen for her breathing and regular medication.

When it is her time to pass....I and my mother do not wish for her to have to go to a hospital, she would like to die in her room at the facility amongst her staff friends who have looked after her for the past five years. She will need a registered nurse on duty to facilitate this.

I would like to also comment that the registered nurse MUST be able to speak and be understood in fluent English. Unfortunately there are now a lot of accents and I have witnessed confusion amongst the staff from different countries, not being able to fully understand each other.

Aged care should be a time to relax not a time for anxiety.

With thanks Kind regards

Kerrelyn Carey