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**INQUIRY INTO REGISTERED NURSES IN NEW SOUTH  
WALES NURSING HOMES**

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I feel RNs in RACF provide a more professional link and better communication between the aged care facility and acute care settings. This allows earlier discharge from acute settings, and earlier return to a high standard of follow up care. Families rely on RNs to mediate between themselves and MO's. RNs often "translate" and explain information to families in a way they can understand. Families rely on RNs to follow up on care for their relative. This need for round the clock care is the reason for placement. High standards of professional care is the expectation of the paying customer and the person in care.