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

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Nursing Homes require RN's 24/7. If RN's are removed the lives of nursing home residents will be placed at extreme risk. AIN's do not have the education level, skills/competency or legal responsibilities to provide the level of care required.

AIN's practice is not governed by the NMB & there is no Code Of Practice for AIN's. They need the supervision of a RN at all times.

General hospitals will be inundated with aged care residents as a result of the inability of AIN's to provide appropriate care. This will increase the costs of hospitals/affect staffing levels & place strain on the Ambulance Service. Cost cutting in Aged Care will result in an increased cost to public hospitals.

With an ageing population, who deserve high quality care, it is imperative that RN's remain in aged care.

Residents will die & AIN's do not have accountability.

AIN's are not Nurses. The Nurses Act clearly defines nurses as RN's & EN's.

I would not support my family members receiving care from AIN's without the supervision of a RN.

This inquiry needs to prevent unskilled staff performing the role of RN's.

I strongly support RN's in Nursing Homes 24/7.