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## INQUIRY INTO DENTAL SERVICES IN NSW

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**Theme:**

**Summary**

## Manning Valley Branch

## Combined Pensioners & Superannuants Association

26<sup>th</sup> May 2005

Jan Burnswoods MLC  
Chair Standing Committee Social Issues  
Legislative Council  
Parliament House  
Macquarie Street  
SYDNEY NSW 2000

Dear Ms Burnswoods

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The following is a submission concerning Dental Health in NSW

At a Public Meeting held at Taree on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> May, many problems emerged.

These include a lady who has been in pain for some five years and still is on the waiting list of the local Dental Clinic. This is due, apparently, to a lack of staff and funding.

Dental Services in 'this country are at 3<sup>rd</sup> World Country standard and this is not good enough for our wealthy county.

Decision was made at the meeting to press the State Government to speed more on dental care, after all the NSW Government can afford \$30 mil to just spend on tizzying up Sydney parks, so why not spend some of that on Health Care.

Also, decision was made to lobby for increase places at University or Dental Surgery. There are not enough dentist coming through the system.

A suggestion was made that a condition on the many overseas students that they serve one or two years locally before they return to their country of origin.

Enclosed are some of the testimony of nasty happenings to local people.

These are included and originals.

Yours faithfully



John Newell  
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