INQUIRY INTO REGISTERED NURSES IN NEW SOUTH WALES NURSING HOMES

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Dear Sir/Madam

I am writing to respond the 24/7 registered nurse in nursing home inquiry; I have been working in the nursing home as a RN for 4 years in  At after hour such as at night and in the weekend in a nursing home, RN is the only person who had educated in the university with enough knowledge to lead the aged care facility, ensure the quality of care to the residents and secure their safety. Normally, there is only one RN works in a nursing home at after hours. The RN requires managing all the staff as well as all the residents. In our nursing home, we have independent living units, low care, high care and dementia care. Some residents are in palliative care or in critical condition that need S8 medication every 2-4 hourly. RN is the only lawful person to handle S8 drugs, without RN at after hour; our residents are unable to have S8 drug treatment. Also during the after hour, especially at night, there is the higher rate of incidents happening; most of the residents pass away at night. RN is the only one person to ensure the resident’s safety and the quality of care. The government should support and increase the quality of care to the nursing home, but not putting the nursing home residents at risk. If my parents are in the nursing home, i will get so sad with the government that put my parents at risk. Please take care and concern our nursing home residents who take the facility as their own home with quality care and safety security, so their children can spend more time to work hard for the country. Thanks for reading my respond writing.

The best regards
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