

## **INQUIRY INTO OFF-PROTOCOL PRESCRIBING OF CHEMOTHERAPY IN NSW**

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Our mother was a woman like no other, there are not enough words to describe just how important our mum was to us and what a powerful influence she had on us growing up.

Mum was selfless woman always putting others before her self.

She was hard working, fun fabulous, amazing, caring, loving, beautiful lady, honest, respected by anyone who met her would say what a gentle lady enriched everyone she met, never having a cross word to say about anyone.

                    was a wife to                      (dec) a mother to   daughters                      ,                      ,                      ,                      , a grand mother  
to                      ,                      ,                      ,                      ,                      ,                      ,                      (dec)  
                    ,                      . And a great grand mother to                      , and sister and friend, All of these beautiful people  
now don't have                      in there lives.

Family was all                      cared about, mum was our friend our teacher our fan our forever mother.

During her battle with cancer, not once did she complain or say why me, she decided just to start the fight of her life, mum was not about to give up on LIFE she still had plans for the future after cancer.

Mum believed she was getting the best care that was out there, she had faith in Dr Grygiel and believed he was giving her every chance to live, but with limited notes no one will ever know. He held her life in his hands and failed in providing her with the care and respect and dignity that she so deserved.

What happened to all of his patients is so shocking and unbelievable and is heart braking for all of us left behind. We are talking about HUMANS here, he had no right to make decisions of dosage without discussing with patients.

taken from us we lost our precious mother on the                      .

We miss sharing special days with mum (no day is joyous now because our mother is not here, our family unit has not n will not ever be the same.

I struggle on a daily basis still cause I can't call my mum, hug her, go for coffee, go shopping as mother n daughter, no Christmas, birthdays are celebrated the same, as our wonderful mother is not there, I have Lost my best friend.

Working in retail I witness on a daily basis mothers n daughters out doing the above things I mentioned, and it makes me so sad.

This needs to be a big wake up call to our health system, there needs to be better measures put into place so from this day forward no other family endures the loss n pain we deal with daily, in the loss of our beautiful wife mother grandmother, great grand mother, sister, friend                      .

No one knows what the outcome for our mother would of been, the hardest thing is that we may

have been robbed of precious time we could of had with her, we all would of put our live on hold to make what time mum had left the most memorable for her and us.

The people who new her were the luckies in the world because                      was ours and for knowing her has made us all better people.

We love n miss her every minute of every day.