

**INQUIRY INTO OPERATION AND MANAGEMENT OF
THE NORTHERN BEACHES HOSPITAL**

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Hello,

Living on the upper northern beaches and with many friends north of us, we feel it is an absolute disgrace that in Australia's biggest city you would have to drive over from palm beach, 45 minutes from Newport, and 30minutes from Mona Vale to the nearest emergency or maternity care, PEOPLE WILL DIE as a result of the decision to close these vital services at Mona Vale hospital, I understand the need to rationalise the extent of service there but to permit people to die in transport to their nearest hospital because its so far away is evil.

Money has come over lives and their will be blood on your hands.

Emergency and maternity must continue at Mona Vale Hospital.

And having been a patient at the new hospital 2 months after it opening I was pretty appalled by the standards there, nurses had to write observations on their hands and the computer system did not work, the vital signs monitor they had connected to me did not work, the blood pressure machine didn't work, and there was massive waits to see doctors, who when they did come were clearly fresh out of medical school, I know many more stories of mistreatment will come out.

You must reinstate emergency and maternity at Mona Vale hospital immediately.

regards

Brett