

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

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On the Northern Beaches we need Acute Medical Services. We have a large older population who live alone, we have a large younger population as evidenced by the size of our public schools and we are an active population who enjoy living on the edge in the littoral zone. Please consider that we also welcome many visitors who often need medical services. They generate a lot of traffic and make it a very slow trip to the Northern Beaches Hospital. We have sailing, windsurfing, skateboarding, netball, rugby league, soccer, surfing, nippers, cricket, basketball and golf. Sounds perfect but we need acute medical services at Mona Vale