INQUIRY INTO OPERATION AND MANAGEMENT OF THE NORTHERN BEACHES HOSPITAL

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Whilst I am fully cognisant of my submission not being directly about service received from NBH, I feel strongly that the Enquiry needs to be aware that many people in the Northern Beaches have become very doubtful about their safety should they choose to attend NBH in an emergency. In this way my submission becomes indirectly relevant.

I feel that the Enquiry needs to be aware that many people are afraid to attend this hospital. I include myself in this category.

Further fears include concerns about the risks in an emergency of needing to travel along a road which closes frequently due to flooding and accidents, concerns that the hospital will make mistakes, that care will not be provided properly due to staff shortages and carelessness, drug and equipment shortages, computer insufficiencies or data errors, or that they will be turned away and sent to another hospital.

I think it is very relevant that the Enquiry be aware of these matters. Thank you.