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

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To the committee

I have not needed to go to hospital since the N.B. Hospital was opened and reports by the locals as to the standard of care experienced there have been mixed.

The major concern by people living in the Pittwater area is the lack of emergency facilities, a maternity ward and a children's ward, at Mona Vale and the very real fear that the current government's agenda is to ensure that these facilities will not return.

Time will tell as to how the new hospital is functioning and catering for the needs of patients in both the public and private sectors. Another survey closer to the 2020 report where more information is available would provide a clearer picture.