

**INQUIRY INTO HEALTH OUTCOMES AND ACCESS TO
HEALTH AND HOSPITAL SERVICES IN RURAL,
REGIONAL AND REMOTE NEW SOUTH WALES**

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In the last 3 weeks I have been in hospital after a foot operation and they say the I will most probably will be here for another 3 weeks

When I first came here I could of put any weight on my right foot so was confined to bed for the first weeks here

Some days the staff were so busy here I would not even get a wash and I am Incontinent so needed pads changed regularly this did it happed because they were always so busy one night and morning I was in the same pad for 14 hours or more and I had also soiled it. I had this pad on when the physio came to see how I moved in bed an I was so embarrassed

When you ring the buzzer it takes so long for them to come and often when they do come they ask you to waits As they are busy doing other things. When you are laying in bed wet like that it is not very nice and bad for your skin as you can get nasty sores I often have an accident while waiting for them

You do see them walking up and down the ward but they do not even have time to pop there head in and ask if you are ok. And there are a lot of elderly people in here as well

I think more nurses are needed so that they can do there job properly and have time to check everything is going ok with there patients. They are often commenting on how tired they are