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

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Partially Confidential

Manilla Hospital has no security at all and being in a small country town, we are at times without police in town or rostered on.

We are half an hour from Tamworth and if the are dealing with issues we are on our own until we can get backup.

The ED medication, Acute & aged room needs to have a phone put in there so staff can lock themselves in there if needed and then contact other staff if dangers and risks.

As a community like everyone else Manilla has drug issues with patients often coming to the ED department for treatment.

Staff are of short supply most days.