

**Submission
No 221**

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

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My Grandmother who lives in Warren NSW 2824, has to travel 130ks to Dubbo hospital just to have dialysis, so that a 260k round trip for her, she is 77 yrs, and has to do this 4 times a week just to stay alive.

There is a hospital at Warren (which she worked at most of her life) which is not even 1k from her house but doesn't have the facilities or the staff to accommodate her needs.. I think it is an absolute disgraceful that an elderly lady had to endure this kind of treatment.. she has to do it to stay alive, but yet what life does she have by doing that 4 times a week.. its is inhumane, just because she has chosen to live in a rural area, where she was born and raised does not mean she and others living in rural communities need to be treated like this.