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

**Name:** Name suppressed  
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I work as registered nurse full time on a general medicine ward.

I was recently deployed to the children's ward where they had only 16 beds and 5 nurses (including myself and another RN where we were deployed from our ward).

Leaving my ward with only 3 RNs and an EN and floater AIN on the floor where they have 30 beds.

My ward is full of patients with complex care and it is simply not safe especially there being confused aged care patients and drug and alcohol patients.

I understand there's a budget of each ward involved but for the safety of nurses. Please look into these kind of issues.

This was from a night shift the other day and got me thinking how is this fair.

Thank you from RNS St Leonard's