Supplementary Submission No 300a

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

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Dear Parliamentary Inquiry

Cobar has 5 mines within our area and NO DOCTOR! Heard the best story today that 2 Doctors want to come to town but have been stopped by our hospital! True or false but have good information on this!

Wake up Cobar & WELCOME these Dr's to our town!.. ② One or two people should not have the say, Doctors are welcome in Cobar!..It should not be up to "The Cobar Health Manager" to make the vital decisions and I applied to sit on "Cobar Health Committee "But was turned down to this voluntary position and then found out that Cobar Hospital Health Manager and "Community Health Manager" were given these these positions. This is a conflict of interest as both these people should be present at these meetings to answer questions that the Community ask! All too top heavy!

I was so ill Wednesday week ago night but waited until Thursday and let it go until 5.30 pm as I knew the managers had gone home, I then presented myself to the Cobar Hospital and the nurse & Nurse we're FANTASTIC + the Dr (Locum) was also Great, I was flown out at about 11.30pm to Dubbo. The RFDS were A1, & when I arrived in Dubbo there was NOT a problem at all, Operated on next day at 11.30am and spent the night in hospital, I couldn't have received better treatment anywhere! Thank You Cobar Hospital & Thank You Dubbo Hospital for a fantastic service!..

I was told that the other day there is a great Locum in Cobar for the next 3 weeks who is keen to relocate to a regional town. Hope it works out for everyone, but was turned down by our local hospital.

This is FANTASTIC as Cobar needs a full time Doctor at our hospital, this should be decided at the Dubbo Level NOT Cobar as something WILL happen one day and people die due to neglect at our hospital! This is NO Reflex to our Fantastic Nurses it's a level higher! It's the system & some having too much say regarding who comes to Cobar!

Cobar would Welcome a New Dr or two, we would love to have you and welcome you to our friendly Community!.. \checkmark

I would like this to be submitted to the inquiry, only that the fact that I had to wait all day very unwell because I WOUDN'T go to the hospital until "The Health Manager" and second in charge had left for the day!

This is what people in Cobar have to content with!