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

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## Submission to the NSW Parliament inquiry in to MLHD

When Jill Ludford, Brett Thomson , Rosemary Garthwaite and MLHD senior management delivered the new management restructure to hospital managers a meeting at Narrandera in 2015 one stated aim was to improve clinical leadership which they did by stripping every health facility across the region of its clinical Managers and Nurses. The loss of this experience will no doubt impacted on all community's that rely on their hospital to deliver A&E, Acute Beds and aged care. Upon doing that they installed managers at hospitals who basically had no idea how these rural and remote facility's operated.

They just used a generic health policy to deliver health services to these community's without any regard to what these community's needs are, couldn't even have a community's meetings to discuss these changes.

The barham hospital along with many others has long servicing nurses that have serviced our community's for a long period, and is a disgrace the way that they have be treated by MLHD, the idea of maintaining services at our small hospitals is to stick the patient in to an ambulance and transport them to a Major Hospital which impacts on that hospital and family member's, Austin Evans, Susan Ley, Adrian Piccoli MLHD senior management staff and the MLHD Board are responsibility for the mess that our Health systems is in. The Barham Community, MLHD, Jill Ludford Rosie Garthwaite and infrastructure NSW held meetings in 2014 and all agreed that the New MPS hospital should be built with Acute, A&E, Community Health, and Aged Care. The minister and finance department approved the building of the New barham MPS after meetings on planning to be built in original format to start June 2015.

With the Murry Haven Homes declaring at all original pre construction and planning meetings that they did not and would not be increasing their aged care beds, the New Barham MPS was Grant 10 extra aged care beds by Minister Fiona Nash. Ken Wyatt Minister for Aged Care office claimed that MLHD advised they had conducted three community meetings with regard to aged care beds transferring to Murray Haven homes from barham MPS

Having Nursing staff working 12 hr shifts because of staff shortage just goes to prove how incompetent the senior management of MLHD are, and now staff shortages in community health with no plan in place for recruitment.

The stripping of services from the Barham MPS facility MLHD has now caused the facility to lose its status as a MPS, financially not viable and has put the health and wellbeing of the community at risk and Jill Ludford, board and senior management should be held accountable.

A solution to the health crisis is to get experienced staff and facility managers back into the health system who ran small hospital Facility's in budget and contribute to the efficient delivery of healthcare to their communities.

Jill Ludford, Brett Thompson, Rosie Garthwaite, MLHD Board Members, Senior Management MLHD and should be compelled to attend and answer questions relating to staff,

As I have operated a business since 1979 to have the communities be subject to the lies and complete disregard for a confidant process.

I would be happy to attended enquiry and make a personal submission

Thank You

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