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Family & Community Development Committee
Parliament House
East Melbourne

Dear Sir / Madam,

Re:- Inquiry into Supported Accommodation
Victims with a disability or mental ill

I am a parent and carer of my disabled daughter, Frances, who has cerebral palsy, is non verbal and is severely handicapped and needs 24 hour care. She is now 49 years old. disabled, she is ageing more quickly than other age who have no disability and she is getting more difficult to manage.

I, as her carer, am 76 years old & my health has decreased and will continue to do so.

The solution is 24 hour supported accommodation in the town of her choice. She happily attends day training centre in Wangaratta and this is w

This is a deperate and frightening situation to be in for myself and others like me. i.e. no accommodation available in our region. If we cannot get help from our Government where do we turn?

So we need more supported accommodation more trained staff who need to be paid a reasonable wage for their services.

This accommodation needs to be provided that we can see our disabled people settled and able to visit them before we die.

Staff also need training in the dietary of disabled people as well as exercise programs for disabled people.

In the homes, there needs to be more outdoor activities.

Thankyou for taking my submission.

Yours sincerely,

Una Harrington.