

Committee Secretary
Inquiry into Better Support for Carers
House of Representatives Standing Committee on Family,
Community, Housing and Youth
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(Inq into better support for carers)
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F. ... COMMUNITY,
HOUSING & YOUTH

Dear Secretary

I wish to make a submission to the House of Representatives Standing Committee on Family, Community, Housing and Youth's Inquiry into Better Support for Carers.

I am submitting to the Inquiry because...

My son Lucas Lucietto has a severe
Language disorder, and needs assistent~~es~~

More information is attached on a separate sheet

1. The role and contribution of carers in society

As a carer, I feel that my role is...

is neglected, I helped every week in
my son's class last year and not once did the
school ~~they~~ have gone out of their way to really
help my son with an aide or a experienced
teacher.

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2. The barriers to social and economic participation for carers

As a carer, I face the following problems ...

Giving up working. Struggling paying simple things
like ~~the~~ taking my child to the movies, hardly ever gone
on a holiday for him. I worry about not having enough
money to pay a speech pathologist or psychologist. I can't see them
every week when my son needs it. I am denied from having
a superannuation for my future because I don't work.
I cannot buy enough school uniforms & clothing that he
really needs due to my financial hardship. It been
is a big problem also

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3. The practical measures required to better support carers

As a carer, I need help with ...

- My son getting an Aide for Primary School.
- Need more assistance in payment on Speech Pathology.

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4. Strategies to assist carers to access opportunities and choices

I think the Government can better help carers by ...

- by having more speech pathologist provided to us and maybe be 1/2 funded.
- provide more resources by funding them.

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Thank you for taking my views into consideration as part of the Committee's Inquiry. I look forward to reviewing any recommendations you make to improve life for carers in Australia.

Yours sincerely

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Print your name