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Wollongong hospital wants to hear from carers of people with mental health problems

Carers of people with mental health problems, who have attended Wollongong Hospital's Mental Health Inpatient Unit, are invited to attend a forum on 16 May to talk about their experience of the Unit.

The forum, organised through the Family and Carer Mental Health Program run by Carers NSW and the South Eastern Sydney and Illawarra Area Health Service, would like to get feedback from carers about the inpatient unit. The feedback will be used to identify ways that the inpatient unit can be improved from the perspective of carers and families.

Carers need to be caring for someone over the age of 18, who has spent more than 72 hours in the Wollongong Hospital Mental Health Inpatient Unit sometime during 2007 or 2008.

Details

When: 16 May, 11am-2pm

Where: Wollongong Council Building, Burelli St, Wollongong

A light lunch will be provided

Interested carers need to call Toni Garretty on 4220 7917 if they would like to participate

About the Family and Carer Mental Health Program

The Family and Carer Mental Health Program, run jointly by Carers NSW and the South Eastern Sydney and Illawarra Area Health Service, offers support, information, education and advocacy to carers or family members of people with a mental illness in the South East Sydney/Illawarra regions. Telephone 4285 0155 for more details.

About carers and Carers NSW

Carers NSW is the peak organisation for carers in New South Wales. Carers are family members or friends who provide unpaid care for people with a disability, mental health problem, chronic condition or who are frail aged.

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