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Services

Carers Australia - Respite options (National)

http://www.agedcareaustralia.gov.au/internet/agedcare/publishing.nsf/content/NRCP-1

Commonwealth Carer Resource Centres

http://www.health.gov.au/internet/main/publishing.nsf/Content/ageing-carers-crsourc.htm

Commonwealth Carer Respite Centres 1800 059 059

http://www.health.gov.au/internet/main/publishing.nsf/Content/ageing-carers-respcent.htm

Carers Australia 1800 242 636

http://www.carersaustralia.com.au

Commonwealth Carelink Centres

Freecall 1800 052 222 for Commonwealth Carer Respite and Carelink services

Aged care on Line

Search by state and by service provider, including Home Care Services, accommodation (hostels & nursing homes) http://www.agedcareonline.com.au/

National Look Good Feel Better - a free community service program dedicated to helping women undergoing treatment for cancer, to help manage the appearance related side effects of chemotherapy and radiotherapy. http://www.lgfb.org.au/

Nursing Services

State/region specific nursing services— Ask your GP for a referral

Aged and Community Care Information Line 1800 500 853

National Dementia Behaviour Advisory Service 1300 366 448

http://www.nican.com.au/service/national-dementia-behaviour-advisory -service

Dementia Helpline 1800 639 331 National Continence Helpline 1800 330 066

Care & Support

Palliative Care - Adults

- Palliative care, also called comfort care, is primarily directed at providing relief to a serious or lifethreatening disease through symptom management and control
- The goal is not to cure, but to provide comfort and maintain the highest possible quality of life for as long as life remains.
- Well-rounded palliative care programs also address psychosocial and spiritual needs.
- The focus is not on death, but on compassionate specialized care for the living.
- Palliative care is well-suited to an interdisciplinary team model that provides support for the whole person and those who are sharing the person's journey in love.
- Palliative care may be delivered in hospice and home care settings or in hospitals.

http://www.pallcare.org.au/