

Media Release



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The end of an era at Carers NSW!

After 13 years serving on the Board and eight years as President, Laraine Toms is stepping down from her role as President and the Board of Directors. Ms Toms' resignation will be effective after the Carers NSW Annual General Meeting on 20 November 2014.

CEO of Carers NSW, Elena Katrakis said that the Board, the organisation and members will be sad to see Ms Toms leave.

"It has been a pleasure working with Laraine for the past eight years. We have seen the organisation grow, we developed and strengthened new partnerships and worked hard to advocate for carers" Ms Katrakis said.

In her last editorial to members, Ms Toms said she has seen many significant changes, breakthroughs and highlights, in particular the introduction of the Carers (Recognition) Act 2010.

"We worked with parliamentarians from all parties, advised, informed, discussed with legislators and watched with pride as the Act was passed."

"While I leave with considerable sadness I also leave knowing it has been a privilege to serve on this Board... and that our organisation is well positioned to move into the future with confidence. I wish... the best for the future of both the organisation and the welfare of carers" Ms. Toms said.

Carers NSW will now seek to appoint a new President following the AGM.

Further information: For further information or to read the issues paper visit;
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