

N N A A M I
*The National Network of Adult and
Adolescent Children who have a
Mentally ill parent/s. Inc.*



Mr Kevin Rudd
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For Mr Kevin Rudd's Personal Attention and Action,

**How much are children and young people worth
who manage a parent 24/7 with mental illness ?**

Dear Mr Kevin Rudd,

Kevin Congratulations on your appointment.

NNAAMI supports vulnerable children, young people and adults who manage a parent 24/7 with mental illness across Australia, through our website, telephone support, on-line advice, and counseling service. This is the most neglected area in mental health.

We are deeply concerned that Ms Leanne Beagley Director Operations Mental Health in Victoria under a Victorian Liberal government has callously refused to pay our 2013 recurrent funding / invoice towards the above organizations communication expenses of only \$2882.

Ms Beagley's actions sends the wrong message to the vulnerable young people we represent.

This is not a small group as potentially much more than one in five people have a parent with mental illness. Work in this area must be managed by and for the affected group to ever effectively reach and appropriately support those most in need. Please take time to view our website and their life stories at www.nnaami.org

On a voluntary basis I personally answer calls for assistance from people in your electorate and provide direct counseling support to a number of young people in your area. I'm sure you would understand the importance of assisting those we represent.

People right across the world value the nnaami website as a resource and source of support.

Hope you can see your way clear to show leadership and assist us.

We seek your immediate assistance at this time in supporting nnaami's work by providing the above funds to nnaami on a recurrent basis so nnaami can continue its vital work, at least pay internet and telecommunication expenses.

“ We are the children breaking the silence ”

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NNAAMI's activities are the most cost effective and efficient way to reach and support this group of vulnerable people.

We also look toward your leadership to provide funds at a level so we can employ at least three staff to man our telephone support line and online counseling activities across Australia.

I look forward to your prompt reply
I can be contacted on Mobile 0407 857465

Yours Sincerely

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