

# Case Study: The System Has Forgotten Roselea

## Roselea

**R**oselea had nursed the public for 25 years, but an accident at work left her completely forgotten.

While working as a specialist theatre sister in 2002, Roselea was injured when a hospital roller shutter door unexpectedly slammed down, crushing her right hand.

Her hand was seriously fractured, an injury that caused constant pain and severely restricted her movement.

Now Roselea has trouble performing normal activities like light household chores, writing, clapping or shaking hands.

She even needs help to dress and undress and to brush her teeth.

To make matters worse, Roselea is now experiencing problems with her left arm, as her inability to use the right hand means she must use the left much more.

Before her accident, Roselea loved the outdoors and enjoyed fishing, boating, bike riding, swimming and gardening.

She can no longer do these things because

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they cause so much pain.

She also used to spend much of her leisure time entertaining and cooking, but this is now also impossible.

Despite being left unable to work and continue the independent active lifestyle she enjoyed, harsh NSW laws mean that Roselea has no chance of being compensated for the changes to her life.

Roselea looked after people in need for half her life, but has been completely let down now that she is in need of help.

The legal barriers to fair compensation in NSW are too harsh. They need to be changed.

Contact your local MP and make your views known. Nothing will change unless you take action.

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