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OPTIONS FOR ESSENTIAL WORKER HOUSING IN NEW SOUTH WALES

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NSW Paramedics are essential workers who are moved all around the state by deployment often with very little notice.

All paramedics should be able to access affordable and suitable housing just like teachers, police officers and nurses do.

Personally I had 1 week to find accommodation in Nyngan which is 8 hours from my previous residence, which had no available rentals. Through luck I was able to get a rental through word of mouth.

I know other paramedics that have had much harder times finding adequate housing which adds stress to an already high pressure job.

This turns health professionals away from working in rural settings