

## Federal Member for Ryan



Dr J Michael Wynne 19/12 Bellevue Pde TARINGA QLD 4068

Dear Dr Wynne,

Thank you for your recent letter expressing concern over the corporatisation of health and aged care in the US and in Australia. In particular, I note your concerns regarding the franchise, Home Instead Senior Care.

There is no doubt that providing quality health care for the ageing population in Australia is a priority for the Howard Government. Businesses, such as Home Instead Senior care, are establishing themselves to meet the demands of this demographic. However, any business establishing themselves in the country must operate within certain rules and regulations established by the Government. The fact that the company is an American company is immaterial. Franchises too, operate within a certain framework and must carry out their business in a legit way.

However, I do appreciate you taking the time to make me aware of your concerns. If I can be of further assistance to you as your local Federal Member, please feel free to contact me.

Regards,

Michael Johnson MP Federal Member for Ryan

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