Community forum and hearing on care of mothers and babies

The parliamentary inquiry into perinatal services continues on Monday 27 November with a public hearing and community forum in Melbourne.

The Family and Community Development Committee will hear from government agencies, care providers and researchers before giving the opportunity for other community members to share their views and ideas.

The public hearing will be held from 9:00 am to 3.45 pm at 55 St Andrews Place, East Melbourne, followed by the community forum from 3:45 pm to 4:45 pm.

As part of its inquiry the Committee is considering the adequacy of services for dealing with high risk and premature births. It is also examining access to and provision of an appropriately qualified workforce, as well as the disparity in outcomes between rural, regional and metropolitan locations.

The inquiry also has a particular focus on the mental health of women in the perinatal period.

The hearing schedule and more details on the inquiry are available from the Committee's website.

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