

## Resume

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Sharon is the director of **“Ageing by Caring Pty Ltd”** which aims to enhance the experience of ageing by **caring, communicating and creating.**

Sharon is a Registered General Nurse, a Registered Geriatric Nurse, has a Diploma of Nursing Education a Degree in Health Sciences, a Diploma of Counselling and a Masters of Public Health and is trained by the Institute of Executive Coaching to be a level two Coach. She has a long and respected history working in aged care and most specifically in dementia and dementia care.

Sharon has an experience portfolio which incorporates education, research and clinical practice across the residential and community care sectors. She sits and advises on a number of reference groups and steering committees and is a long standing member and inaugural Fellow of the Australian Association of Gerontology (AAG) and is the current chair of the Illawarra Chapter.

She has been sought to address national and international forums on various aspects of aged care and dementia management and is well published in these areas. She has worked

extensively with people of culturally diverse backgrounds and has contributed to resource development in this area.

Sharon is engaged in the Koori Dementia Care Project under the auspice of Neuroscience Research Australia which has allowed her and the team the opportunity to increase capacity around dementia for urban and regional Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in NSW and develop enduring relationships with Elders and respected members of many Aboriginal communities.

She has developed particular interests in the area of end of life issues and end of life decision making for older people and has co-authored published texts on this subject.

Her client base is particularly diverse and clients include state and federal government organisations, area health services, NGO's and consumer organisations and the tertiary sector (amongst others).

She assists by providing education and training, strategic planning and policy development, project management, review and evaluation and leadership development all with a strong emphasis on mentorship and coaching.

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*I have worked with Sharon in a variety of roles. She has assisted our facility in training, particularly in “person centred” approaches to care for people living with dementia. Sharon assisted us in a consultancy role in reviewing operations, strategic planning and funding applications for a facility our organisation was working with and as a conference presenter. Sharon has great knowledge of, and experience in, the provision of aged care services. She is a captivating presenter and has the ability to connect with her audience as she herself connects and understands the needs of the older people we look after. Sharon provides practical and sensible approaches to care delivery and strategic planning generally. I have received positive feedback from staff and families who have heard her speak and work with her on projects, many feeling reassured and energised by the information and suggestions provided” (CEO, Lutheran Aged Care)*

*Sharon has the capacity to really get you into the skin of someone with dementia even if you do not want to go there. She taught me things today that I did not think possible and changed my views of people with dementia forever.” (Management Workshop participant)*

*Sharon has a way of engaging the audience that really demands your attention. A gifted public speaker, by far the most interactive presentation I have seen. I do not agree with all her ideas, but she demonstrates a passion and commitment to her work that is quite extraordinary. (Senior Management Workshop participant)*

*Sharon has a gift which enables her to present information in a most humble and moving way. It is underpinned by great knowledge and respect and changes people. (Contemporary Issues in ageing - Workshop participant)*

*Your advice proved to be invaluable and I apologise for not confirming this with you earlier. Bringing in someone like you with expertise and objectivity was an absolute gift to that process and we are forever grateful to you for the assistance. (Family member)*

*Additional referees and references can be provided on request.*

