FULL INVESTIGATION NEEDED

The Territory Opposition wants an independent investigation into allegations that the level care given a quadriplegic man by NT Health was so poor that he was taken to hospital covered in bed sores and with flyblown wounds.

“In situations like this the truth of the allegations need to be established as a matter of priority,” says Matt Conlan, Shadow Minister for Health.

“The most vulnerable in our community need and deserve the highest level of protection.

“When people come forward with such shocking allegations an independent investigation by a qualified person not attached to NT Health is the most appropriate course of action.

“There is a good deal of evidence that health and disability services in the Northern Territory are stretched to breaking point.

“Time and again allegations of mistreatment arise, often associated with insufficient or inadequately trained staff.

“The Minister for Health has no choice but to establish an independent inquiry.”

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