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Hi Everyone,

One of the member groups on our email list: ALAS - a Queensland based support group for mothers has received an apology from the Royal Brisbane and Women's Hospital. The apology is for the mistreatment of some of the group's members whilst patients there, last century. Channel 7 filmed Janice (our resident artist) and the President of ALAS along with some other mothers at the hospital yesterday morning. During the filming Professor Ian Jones admitted that the hospital ill treated and overly drugged unwed mothers whilst patients at the hospital. As far as we know this sets a precedent as it is the first time, to my knowledge, that there has been a public apology from an Institution and admittance of wrong doing. The interview with Professor Jones and the mothers is scheduled to be shown on Ch. 7 news this evening. They are already showing the promos for it in Queensland. I have not seen any promos in NSW, so I think it is only state based. Hopefully the story gets taken up by others. If anyone has media contacts might be good to inform them of the story.

Hi Chris,

Have just read your email and thought I would let you know that it will be on N.S.W channel 7 news. They are going to promo it all day today and you should see it Thursday 6 o'clock news. Trish Large is our president and I was the other Mother who was there. I can't believe what we have done. It was very moving and Professor Jones told it how it was and didn't leave anything out. The promo we have been seeing here has the stolen babies book the main feature.

Hi Chris,

Trish asked me to let you know that women in other states could ring their state channel 7 station and ask if the apology could be shown. I forgot that in my last email.

Cheers Marg Hamilton