

Why the severely mentally ill must not be lodged in Caravan Parks:
An Australian man with a 20 year history of mental illness and recurrent involuntary hospitalization. He receives little or no benefit from his medication. He has been ejected from public housing by a VCAT order. As a result he is lodged in a caravan park and a Residential Community Order compels him to reside there. He must occupy a shared space, possibly with conmen, thieves, and bullies and can be subjected to ridicule each time he leaves his caravan. Prior to being lodged in the Caravan Park he threatened a visiting psychiatric nurse with a knife so for the purpose of administering his medication the man must now be visited in his caravan by two male psychiatric nurses. Some might feel the man could represent a danger to park users but in doing so he could also be a danger to himself – 87% of those shot to death by police are suffering from a mentally illness. The man needs safe secure lifelong (if necessary) accommodation.
The man is my son.