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Australian Mother's Pain Turns to Fury

Karla's fight for her boys

There's something I want to share with all those parents out there who tirelessly fight every day to save their child or children all on their own.

18 years 4 weeks and 5 days.....as of Friday the 2nd of September 2016, this is how long it has taken me to discover the cause of my boys suffering. The very thing that is responsible for their suffering was discovered in Australia over 75 years ago but it is continuously being ignored.

I don't care if our top Scientist's say it doesn't exist here because I know that it is HERE in our country! AUSTRALIA ... And people are dying a slow and painful death from it.

Because of fear, intimidation and humiliation I've kept quiet and continued to fight this battle alone.

Never again will I be silenced.

I want to say that yes there are many genuinely beautiful caring Drs and nurses out there and many are scared of being de registered for trying to help treat people with this.

The intimidation and bullying by Specialists, Drs and nurses that I've personally experienced on this journey has been absolutely soul destroying to the point where I wanted to literally give up on life. I no longer felt I had any strength left in me to fight for my boys.

I had brought my boys into this world a world of endless pain and suffering, as their mother it was up to me to protect them and to help them but I couldn't help them and I couldn't find anyone who cared enough to want to help them.

I felt like I had failed them but I couldn't give up on my boys because I knew that no one would fight as hard as I would to save them.

There were so many times my boys would be screaming in agony they would look me in the eyes begging "mum please help me!" but I couldn't. I would be placed in a room alone with them screaming, the door would be closed on us. I couldn't comfort them because their whole body hurt and the migraine was unbearable. People who have this are affected differently but it's real you may not see it but it is real. I went from Dr to Dr begging someone to help but no one would.

In the past I've been accused of just wanting attention and possibly being the reason my boys are sick all because "they" couldn't find an obvious cause along with the fact that I had "Too much medical knowledge for just being a mother". These actual words were written on the numerous letters that were sent out by a Dr to every Specialist I'd ever been in contact with, within over a 200 km radius of where we lived.

My credibility was destroyed.



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I tried so hard to prove what I was saying was true I also wanted to prove to these specialists I was a good mother and all I cared about was trying to save my boys. I agreed to do a 2-week food trial with two of the foods I knew triggered my boy's migraines and seizures. We were put in a room with about 6 children all extremely ill with cancer. The next week we were placed in a room with a mentally disabled boy who was given a xylophone to play all night with the lights on. I know this was the specialist's way of breaking me but I was determined to never give up no matter what "they" threw at me.

On another hospital admission for my son, I had specifically requested a particular drug not be given as I knew that it didn't work and would only add to the burden on his already struggling organs. Well it was fed into his I.V in front of me as the Dr proceeded to tell me she was just flushing it with Saline. When I found out and confronted her, her reply was "I am the Dr I decide what's best and I don't need permission from you".

I've had my medical records stolen by a Dr from another hospital in an effort to find something on me after I'd put in a complaint about her.

I've lost count of how many times I've been reminded that I am "Just a mother" and I don't have a medical degree. Therefore I know nothing.

I've been threatened by one specialist who found out I had sought another specialist's opinion while I was seeing him, he called me to say he would no longer continue seeing my boys if I did it again.

I could go on and on but I won't....

I really want to say to all of those parents out there listen to your intuition you know your child better than anyone, you don't need a medical degree to know when there is something wrong.

Don't ever give up even when it feels like you're completely alone and no one believes you. Keep going keep fighting and when you finally reach that finish line you can look into your child's eyes and say we made it, we did it. This journey through absolute hell was worth it, to know you saved their life.

This illness I speak of is called Lyme disease and there are ticks in Australia that carry Lyme this is how I myself became infected with Lyme. Sadly I have passed it on to my three boys through pregnancy.

I also want to say to those in the medical system out there who lead with their Ego's and Pride.... you are only human if you don't have the answer just admit it don't try to humiliate and belittle the person who is there asking for your help.

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