# **Transcript – Andrew’s Story**

[Dora] I'm Dora Mavridis, I'm Andrew's mum.

Andrew has got a traumatic brain injury.

He looks at me with those eyes and says, "Why me?" I said, "Well, we have a disability, let's face what we have and make it better."

As a parent it's very hard sometimes, and it was hard for me to look after Andrew while my husband had cancer, so I had to look after him.

As the time got tough, I thought I had to make a decision.

The nursing home was the only place for me to put him in.

Andrew moved in there, he had a few problems trying to settle in because he wasn't happy.

This accommodation like Wellbridge, it's very important to have because without the NDIS funding,

Andrew would not be able to afford all of this equipment.

Andrew is very high care, so he needs this funding to be able to live a normal life.

Instead of feeling like a stranger, here it's like being at home.

We're sitting down, having a coffee, cooking meals together, spending more quality time.

I'm happy for my son to be happy.

And I think Andrew will be very happy.

Would you be happy here, Andrew?

Yeah.

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