

## Colleen Cartwright

Professor Colleen Cartwright was Foundation Professor of Aged Services and Director of the ASLaRC Aged Services Unit at Southern Cross University from 2005 until April 2014. She now is Principal Director of Cartwright Consulting Aust Pty Ltd. Professor Cartwright has extensive teaching and research experience in ageing, ethics and medical decisions at the end of life, at national and international levels, with publications in major journals and a number of book chapters. Much of her research and teaching over 22 years has been aimed at improving end of life care, including adequate pain relief, and ensuring that patients' wishes are respected. She has conducted a number of studies on improving the health and wellbeing of older Aboriginal people. Professor Cartwright regularly runs information and training sessions for community and health professional groups on ethical and legal issues relating to care at the end of life, including advance care planning, informed consent and capacity, issues for carers and the special challenges of caring for people with dementia.