

## Medical Physicist August Update

Dear Member,

In the last two months, fantastic and committed Medical Physicists across the state have convened to commence the important and difficult work of improving your workplace conditions. The Medical Physicist Industrial Advisory Committee convened on the 25th July and 23rd August.

The purpose of these meetings was to:

- Discuss the Terms of Reference for the Committee and have it endorsed by Committee members.
- Discuss structure and logistics of the Committee regularity of Committee meetings, mode of communication.
- Election of positions including Committee Secretary, Deputy Secretary, Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson.
- Discuss Allied Health survey preliminary results.
- Identify priority areas for the improvement of industrial conditions for Medical Physicist members.

During the meeting, the Committee nominated the following members for positions:

- Secretary: Anna Ralston
- Chairperson: Jeremy Booth
- Deputy Secretary: Jared Steel
- Deputy Chairperson: Nick Hille

The Medical Physicist Committee will meet monthly to discuss key issues in the Awards covering Medical Physicist as well as industrial and collective issues impacting the profession. The next meeting will be held on September 27th at 1pm. A key resolution passed by the Medical Physicist Committee is to ensure transparency for the work that is being completed by Committee members. The identified priority areas of the Committee thus far are:

- Award modernisation which is cost neutral.
- Award reform which will make structural improvements to the award for the purpose of career progression, productivity, and work satisfaction.
- Developing a consistent and transparent approach for the current progression committees.
- Developing a strong relationship with the ACPSEM.
- Researching and prosecuting test cases for Medical Physicist under the current award.

The HSU Committee is continuing to look for expressions of interest for the following classification to join the Committee: Medical Physicist Registrars and Medical Physicist Specialist. Please write to one of the below emails to express interest in joining the Committee.

If there is a collective issue impacting Medical Physicists that you'd like the Committee to explore or issues you'd like placed on the agenda for the next Committee meeting, please contact HSU Industrial Officer Blake Adair-Roberts on <a href="mailto:Blake.adair-roberts@hsu.asn.au">Blake.adair-roberts@hsu.asn.au</a>.

Not a member of the HSU? Now is time to join and have your say! You can join online at <a href="https://www.hsu.asn.au/join">www.hsu.asn.au/join</a> or call 1300 HSU NSW and join over the phone.

A union's effectiveness and negotiation power depends on the strength and density of its membership base. Join your work colleagues today by becoming a member of the Health Services Union and help us continue to protect and improve your working life.

In unity,

Gerard Hayes

Secretary, HSU NSW/ACT/QLD