



Friday, December 1, 2023

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Chief Minister
Treasurer
ACT Government
Canberra ACT 2601

Via email: barr@act.gov.au

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Dear Chief Minister

Health professionals across the ACT Public Service are struggling in the lead up to Christmas. We know that negotiations have taken longer than expected due to government delays on responses to union claims. We acknowledge and welcome the movement this week and it appears that we are moving closer to an acceptable agreement for all Health Professionals.

In light of this, CPSU, HSU and Professionals Australia are requesting that the \$1250 cost of living payment be paid to all staff covered by the Health Professionals Enterprise Agreement in the final pay before Christmas. This will allow these hardworking staff to cover the increased costs at this time of year.

We understand that this will require your approval as this will need to be paid prior to the Agreement being voted on and approved by the Fair Work Commission. Members would appreciate if you used your discretion as Treasurer to take action on this issue.

CPSU, HSU and Professionals Australia require a response by midday Monday 4 December.

Please feel free to contact CPSU Regional Secretary Maddy Northam on 0424 041 390 to discuss the issue further.

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