

14 July 2023

Mr Gerard Hayes
Secretary
Health Services Union
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Dear Gerard

This letter is to advise you that NSW Health Pathology Westmead is proposing the change of operating hours for our Serology section in Westmead.

During the Covid-19 outbreak, NSW Public Health unit relied upon the Centre for Infectious Diseases and Microbiology Laboratory Services including Serology of Westmead for assistance. Additional funding was granted in mid-2021 to extend the operating days to include Saturday and Sunday. However, the Ministry have considered current priorities and there is no longer the pressing need to operate on the weekends. Therefore, effective 4 August 2023 the department will revert to operating Monday – Friday.

There will be no impact on current staff.

This was discussed with the team on 11 July 2023.

If you have any queries, please feel free to contact me on (02) 8890 9665.

Yours sincerely,



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