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Dear Gerard

This letter is to advise you that NSW Health Pathology East are continuing to undertake contingency planning to manage the increased testing linked to the Coronavirus Covid-19.

Our East sites (Randwick and Camperdown) are currently processing high numbers of tests associated with the virus and are supporting other hospitals with clinics and private laboratories.

The expectation is that the number of tests will increase and we are planning for both the increase and the possibility that our employees will need to be self-isolated.

The planning will potentially include the following:

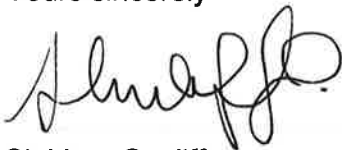
- Extension of hours in Virology/Microbiology Laboratories at Randwick and Camperdown. Current hours are 6.00am to midnight at Randwick and 6.00am to 10.00pm at Camperdown with the potential to move to testing 24 hours during the peak of testing.
- Extension of hours in other laboratories to reduce cross infection and closure of laboratories
- Moving of staff from other locations to work in Randwick or Camperdown (from Sutherland, Kogarah, Canterbury and Concord).
- Moving of staff to any location to support laboratories with high numbers of staff not at work due to COVID-19 infection, self-isolation or needing to care for family members.

The Operations Managers, Laboratory Managers and Clinical Directors at these sites are providing regular communication to our employees on any changes as they are occurring.

I will endeavour to provide updated information in relation to any changes that could occur.

If you have any queries please feel free to contact me.

Yours sincerely



Siobhan Cunliffe
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