

Our Ref: DG99206/22

Mr Gerard Hayes Secretary Health Services Union Level 2 109 Pitt Street SYDNEY NSW 2000

Dear Mr Hayes

On Friday 25 November 2022, Corrective Services NSW (CSNSW) announced the temporary closure of Oberon Correctional Centre, Dawn De Loas Correctional Centre (DDL), Emu Plains Correctional Centre, Sector 4 at South Coast Correctional Centre (SCCC) and a wing at Bathurst Correctional Centre. It is anticipated that these centres will remain closed until June 2023. I have provided further detail on these closures below.

Oberon Correctional Centre:

Corrective Services NSW have advised that they will transfer the last patient out of Oberon Correctional Centre on 13 December 2022. Justice Health and Forensic Mental Health Network (Justice Health NSW) are working with staff to temporarily relocate them to nearby centres, The Health Centre Clerk/ Clinical Support Officer that works at Oberon CC, also works at Bathurst Correctional Centre so she will be able to undertake her hours at Bathurst whilst Oberon remains closed

Emu Plains Correctional Centre:

Emu Plains Correctional Centre was evacuated on 4 July 2022 as a result of the flood event. The centre has remained closed, with CSNSW confirming it will not reopen until June 2023. The Health Centre Clerk/Clinical Support Officer was deployed to another centre.

Dawn De Loas Correctional Centre (DDL (Silverwater Campus):

The Network is awaiting further information from Corrective Services NSW in regard to the closure date for DDL. Once this is communicated, we will work with the staff to redeploy the staff to the two other Correctional Centres on the Silverwater campus.

South Coast Correctional Centre (SCCC):

CSNSW have advised they will be temporarily closing Sector 4 area of the SCCC. The transfer of these patients to other part of the centre will begin the week commencing 5 December 2022. The Health Centre Clerk/Clinical Support Officer that works in this area will be deployed to the other Health Centres on the complex

Bathurst Correctional Centre:

CSNSW have advised they will temporarily close one of the accommodation wings in Bathurst Sector 2 3. CSNSW have yet to confirm a date of when this wing will close. The closure of this wing will not impact upon staffing at this centre and current staffing levels will be maintained.

Justice Health NSW will continue to work closely with our staff to ensure they are supported through this transition.

NSW Justice Health has been and will continue to be, in regular contact with effected staff to provide information and support.

I would like to work with the Health Services Union to ensure the best possible support to our staff through this period of change.

Should you wish to discuss the above or require any further information, please contact Ms Terri Sheehan Deputy Director of Nursing and Midwifery Services on (02) 9700 3022

Yours sincerely

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