

## Proposed change to Medical Imaging Wagga Wagga Base Hospital

Dear Member,

Attached is correspondence the HSU has received from Wagga Wagga Base Hospital members regarding a proposed change to the Medical Imaging department.

### Member feedback requested

The HSU industrial team is currently reviewing the potential impacts of the proposed restructure upon affected employees. We are now seeking feedback, views and comments from our members.

Your HSU organiser Tracey Gaddelin will be visiting your workplace **at 12 noon, Wednesday 23 May** and convening a meeting to discuss the matter with affected employees. The HSU is also seeking expressions of interest from members to be part of the consultative process as a workplace delegate in any upcoming USCC meetings regarding this proposal. The most effective way to deal with these kinds of proposals is by taking into account the concerns of the group, agreeing on a way forward and presenting that united position to management.

Please distribute this newsletter to your work colleagues for their information and comments and encourage them to attend the meeting.

**Not a member of the HSU? Now is time to join and have your say! You can join online at [www.hsu.asn.au/join](http://www.hsu.asn.au/join) or call 1300 HSU NSW and join over the phone.**

A union's effectiveness and negotiation power depends upon 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,



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Dear Mr Hayes

### **Overnight Radiography/Medical Imaging Services WWBH**

In accordance with Clause 35 Health Employees Conditions of Employment (State) Award, ("The Award") I would like to advise you of our intention to introduce a change with the Medical Imaging Service within the Wagga Wagga Health Service.

The Award states the following:

*"Any proposal to reorganise a Department of service that will significantly affect employees covered by the Union will be the subject of genuine consultation with the Union"*

MLHD are seeking to change to the current provision of imaging services to the Wagga Wagga Base Hospital.

Historically the service provided by the Medical Imaging Department to the rest of the hospital, has been between the hours of 8am and midnight, 7 days per week. The provision of service between the hours of midnight and 8am has been served by an On-Call system for clinically urgent cases.

The new service will now provide on-site Radiography/Medical Imaging services to the hospital for General X-ray Imaging and basic level CT scanning between the hours of midnight and 8am, 7 days per week. However, approval by the MLHD has only been given for 3 months and a review conducted after this time.

It is our intention to now notify relevant staff of this proposed service and work together as a team to discuss staff and stakeholder implications. We also welcome your input and consultation with the staff and stakeholders involved. Should you require extra information with regards to this decision and the affect it may have on the staffing and the service provision, please feel to contact staff members Andrew Pidgeon, Radiographer WWHS and Jo Hawkins WWHS Medical Imaging Acting Manager who have together been appointed to manage this service proposition.

We look forward to further communication and dialogue.

Yours sincerely

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Cc Helen Cooper - **Director Wagga Wagga Health Service, MLHD**