

## Ark Health Sold

Dear Member,

The HSU has received notification on Wednesday the 8<sup>th</sup> of August from Ark Health Care that Tierra Health will officially take over the operations of the remaining Ark Health Care sites.

This decision unfortunately only seemed a matter of time, given Ark Health Care have recently sold its Bankstown site and more recently its Parramatta site that was under sanction, failing 43 out of the 44 expected outcomes in a review conducted by The Australian Aged Care Quality Agency.

See attached notification from Ark Health Management confirming the sale and also advising that 12 staff at the Rockdale site will be excess to requirements. All staff and residents will be impacted by this change whether directly or indirectly. There aren't any guarantees that there will be no further cuts.

We will continue to support HSU members through this change. It is important that our members confirm that their entitlements and employment contracts have been transferred to the new provider. If any issue arises you should immediately contact 1300 478 679 or email [agedcare@hsu.asn.au](mailto:agedcare@hsu.asn.au).

Do you have workmates that aren't yet members? The HSU has been running its Aged Care Campaign to increase Federal Funding since October 2017. This is just another example of funding issues plaguing the Aged Care sector. Now more than ever it is important to be a member of your Union. Encourage your workmates to join the HSU today at [www.hsu.asn.au/join](http://www.hsu.asn.au/join) or by calling 1300 478 679.

In unity,



Gerard Hayes  
Secretary, HSU NSW/ACT/QLD



8 August 2018

Gerard Hayes  
HSU Secretary

Dear Gerard

I am writing to inform you that Ark Health Care has sold its aged care business to Tiera Health effective 14 August 2018.

All staff except 12 employees at Ark Health Care Rockdale will transfer to the new company if they so elect. All their entitlements will also transfer to the new company.

The consultation process has begun with the staff at Ark Health Care Rockdale who are being made redundant as the new company wishes to downsize the care recipient numbers at the facility. Unfortunately, Ark Health Care can not offer them alternative employment as the company will no longer have employment opportunities.

Please contact me on 02 8197 2999 if you have any queries.

Regards

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "DCharlton".

Deb Charlton  
Chief Operating Officer  
Ark Health Care