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Unfair clinical demotion dispute

ADHSU has been informed that NSW Ambulance is threatening to demote ICP/ECP paramedics for having the temerity to transfer to regional communities.

For example, current applicants for the Bay Basin and Berry Stations are being coerced into signing an agreement to be clinically demoted before any interview will be offered.

The ADHSU has initiated an immediate dispute on this matter and has placed a 'status quo' on this matter which has halted the recruitment process. ADHSU representatives will be meeting the Service on Tuesday and will make it clear that it is not only unreasonable to expect a paramedic to cease using their specialist skills, but it is also a waste of public money given the amount of training required to become an ICP or ECP.

Regional communities pay their tax just the same as those living in Sydney. Why shouldn't they receive the benefits of the highest level of pre-hospital care possible?

We will let you know the outcome of our meeting on Tuesday. In the meantime, if you are an applicant to a position where HR has asked you to sign away your clinical skills, do not sign anything until you hear from us.

In unity,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Gerard Hayes'.

Gerard Hayes
Secretary, HSU NSW/ACT/QLD