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Campbelltown Hospital Environmental Services Concerns

Dear Member,

The HSU has recently meet with members in Environmental Services at Campbelltown Hospital regarding chronic short staffing in the department. Members have resolved to take further action, including the implementation of work bans.

Delegates have had the opportunity to meet with the local Executive at Campbelltown Hospital to discuss the current operational issues for Environmental Services. Below is the list of concerns that were discussed, and actions endorsed.

- Only clinical areas with in Campbelltown Hospital will be cleaned, as outlined in the priority schedules
- Linen bags that are overfilled and not tied off will not be collected. An escalation point will be raised to the relevant manager should this need to occur.
- Theatre change rooms no collection of theatre attire will take place should it be overfilled and not tied off. This will also be escalated to the relevant manager if needs be.
- Removal of waste that is piling up and spilling out in the corridors this will not be collected due to WHS concerns around lifting and/or pulling over shoulder height.

HSU organiser and sub-branch involvement

Your HSU organiser Ben Halliday will be visiting your workplace shortly and convening a meeting to discuss the matter with affected employees. The most effective way to deal with these kinds of matters 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 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,

Gerard Hayes

Secretary, HSU NSW/ACT/QLD