

Gosford Hospital Patient Inquiries Update

Dear Member,

After our [last newsletter](#) updating members on safety concerns at Gosford Hospital, management proposed a last-minute interim arrangement until further negotiations take place and we are able to find a permanent solution to our concerns.

This interim arrangement was to be for a 2-week period until Wednesday 12 December, and included additional staff rostered in the Department, extra security patrols, and for Central Coast Local Health District (CCLHD) to look into costing some solutions to ensure our members are protected.

Talking to members about this matter in past weeks, it has been very clear that most are fully supportive of their colleagues in the Patient Inquiries department and can't believe CCLHD thinks it is okay to leave them without a protective screen at the Patient Inquiries counter.

As the end date of the interim arrangement is fast approaching, we need to make sure we keep the pressure on CCLHD to resolve members' concerns and ensure that safety is paramount in any decision-making process. To help with this, we are now circulating a petition addressed to Andrew Montague, CCLHD Chief Executive.

Over the next week leading up to 12 December, the HSU and our delegates will be asking staff to sign the petition as a demonstration of support for members in Patient Inquiries. If you or anyone you know would like to help spread our petition, please contact your Organiser Brendan Roberts at brendan.roberts@hsu.asn.au and he will email you a copy.

In unity,



Gerard Hayes
Secretary, HSU NSW/ACT/QLD