

ACT Support Services Agreement: HSU members say 'Yes'

Dear Member,

As you will be aware, meetings were held in December and in January of HSU members at The Canberra Hospital (TCH) covered by the *ACT Public Sector Support Services Enterprise Agreement* to provide a final report on this Agreement.

Members were provided the draft Agreement and a summary of changes on Wednesday 5 December 2018.

Members attending these meetings voted unanimously to support their Agreement going out to ballot.

What is the next step?

The HSU and other unions are working with the Canberra Health Service to finalise the text in the draft Agreement to correct any errors and to ensure that all agreed clauses are included.

Once the draft has been finalised a fresh copy will be sent to members for a final review.

Following this, the Agreement will be sent to Elections ACT to conduct a ballot of all employees covered by the Agreement. For an Agreement to be approved, a majority of employees covered by the Agreement must vote 'yes' on their ballot form. The vote will be conducted by a postal vote which means that the ballot paper will be sent to the address held by CHS as your home address. If you have moved recently, you need to make sure you contact HR to update your contact details.

If the Agreement is approved by employees, it will be filed with the Fair Work Commission for approval.

When will we receive backpay?

Backpay will be paid from the first full pay period on or after 1 October 2017 and will be paid once the Fair Work Commission approves the Agreement.

What do I do if I have any questions or want more information?

If you have any questions about your Agreement please contact HSU Industrial Officer, Julie Gordon, on julie.gordon@hsu.asn.au or 1300 478 679.

In unity,



Gerard Hayes
Secretary, HSU NSW/ACT/QLD