

HNELHD: Manning Base Hospital Mould Response from Management

Dear Member,

Following the HSU contacting Hunter New England Local Health District about a mould infestation in the Manning Base Hospital (Building 2), the employer has formally issued a response. This response is attached for your attention.

The HSU is now seeking feedback from members regarding the response. The HSU urges members to report any concerns through your line management also.

Also attached to this newsletter is a membership application. WHS concerns like the mould issue affect everyone that works in the hospital, and our ability to bring about change is linked to our strength in the workplace. Encourage your workmates to join today and help make our union stronger.

In unity,



Gerard Hayes
Secretary, HSU NSW/ACT/QLD

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Via email: info@hsu.asn.au
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Dear Gerard,

Re: Remediation of Mould, Building 2, Manning Hospital

I write in relation to Mr Kearns' email dated 15 March 2019 regarding the ongoing remediation of mould within Building 2 at Manning Hospital.

By way of background visible mould was identified within the kitchen of the Aged Care Section of Building 2. Water leaks were found and repaired in areas surrounding the space that was causing the mould. Further investigations were undertaken where additional sources of water causing mould were identified. Callai Group were engaged to complete remediation in and around the aged care kitchen area.

Remediation of this area was undertaken in consultation with Callai group and included negative pressure fans and gas vapour treatment. Office spaces have been treated with carpet replacement or vacuuming with Hepa vacuums, washing walls and ceilings. In addition the balcony areas in MN09 have been treated and cleaned.

Since the completion of the above remediation actions further sampling has been undertaken by Callai Group with verbal positive results, however official results have not yet been received.

Management directive currently is for any staff who believe there is mould, or hold any concerns regarding mould within their work area to submit their concerns through Maximo so each job can be prioritised, investigated and actioned as appropriate.

As you can appreciate the age of Manning Hospital makes this an ongoing concern, which is why we are seeking assistance from staff to identify concerns and then work to action each concern as necessary.

Please do not hesitate to contact me on (02) 6592 9355 should you wish to discuss further.

Yours sincerely,

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Full Time Part Time Casual Hours worked per week

Home Address:

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Date: / /

HSU Delegate Name:

HSU Delegate Membership No:

By signing this membership form, you agree to the terms and conditions of our privacy policy, which can be accessed at <http://www.hsu.asn.au/privacy-policy/> and you consent to us collecting, using, holding and disclosing your information as detailed therein. If you do not consent to any aspect of our privacy policy as it applies to you, please notify the Privacy Officer in writing attention to Privacy Officer - HSU Locked Bag 3 Australia Square NSW 1215

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