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Illawarra/Shoalhaven Inspectors are escalating their industrial action

The Illawarra/Shoalhaven DOM group have requested, and were promised, a 20-week trial of a rotating roster incorporating an afternoon shift. They were told it would be officially signed off by Thursday the 18th of April.

Well another week has passed, and our Illawarra Inspectors are still waiting for NSW Ambulance to step up and make a decision. NSW Ambulance didn't even give them the common courtesy to contact our members and explain what the holdup is.

On Friday, in solidarity, the Illawarra DOM group voted unanimously to escalate the industrial action being taken. Maybe this will force NSW Ambulance to start respecting their Illawarra/Shoalhaven Inspectors.

As well as Illawarra Inspectors not dealing with hospital delays in any capacity, they will no longer be forwarding any paperwork on to sector office or Rozelle in relation to minor damage to an ambulance.

Further action will be taken if the roster isn't officially signed off by midday Wednesday the 1st of May.

Our paramedic members in the Illawarra will still need to complete an IIMS as per normal reporting protocol regarding minor damage to NSW Ambulance vehicles. Your DOM, however, will not pass any information onto sector office or Rozelle. Any accident involving towing, injuries, and anything else reportable to police will be dealt with appropriately, and staff will still have access to Inspectors for staff welfare after any incident. This industrial action simply means NSW Ambulance finance will have a slightly difficult time of it.

All our members should be proud of our Illawarra DOM group for taking action against a dangerous roster and broken promises from NSW Ambulance.

In unity,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Gerard Hayes', written in a cursive style.

Gerard Hayes
Secretary, HSU NSW/ACT/QLD