

Bushfires & extreme weather: Don't risk it

Dear Member,

Yesterday it was decided by Healthscope management to temporarily close Lady Davidson Private Hospital due to catastrophic weather conditions and the acute risk of bushfire. Consequently, all patients and staff have been relocated to Norwest Private Hospital.

The NSW government has advised worsening bushfire conditions are expected over the coming week, including anticipated catastrophic conditions in the Greater Sydney and Greater Hunter areas, and the potential for significant existing bushfire activity to be exacerbated in Northern NSW, and the North and Mid North Coast.

The temporary closure of Lady Davidson Hospital serves as a reminder of the importance of safety during the bushfire season.

If it's unsafe to get to work, don't risk it – contact your employer and inform them of your situation.

You are entitled to access one day of paid leave if you are unable to attend work because of a natural disaster declared by the state or federal government.

Any members who have been affected by the temporary closure of Lady Davidson Hospital or who have concerns about safety are encouraged to contact the HSU on 1300 478 679.

In unity,



Gerard Hayes
Secretary, HSU NSW/ACT/QLD