

Ibis Lodge Closure Update

Dear Member,

The HSU has received correspondence regarding the closure of Ibis Lodge at Morisset Hospital. The correspondence is in the italics below for your reference:

The purpose of this email is to provide a further update regarding the closure of Ibis. At this stage, plans remain in place and on track, for the closure of the Unit by 9 December 2019. By the end of this week, 24 November 2019, there will be two patients remaining in Ibis and by the end of next week, 1 December 2019, there will only be one. With existing plans in place for the final patient to be transferred early in December 2019.

This means we will be on track to close by 9 December 2019.

Those staff who have sought redeployment have been advised of the redeployment outcome location and we have been able to redeploy staff within their preferred preferences and location. Work continues with these staff regarding orientation, training, education, supernumerary and supervision, to assist with their ongoing commencement, growth and development within their new position. As previously discussed, a small number of staff have requested voluntary redundancy, which has been progressed.

We have recently held a ceremony to celebrate the achievements of the Unit and the staff's significant contributions to the Unit, patients and carers.

The HSU is still working with HealthShare to secure written assurances for all staff at Morisset that their roles won't be impacted by the closure in the immediate future.

If you have any concerns, please contact your workplace delegates or your organiser.

In unity,



Gerard Hayes
Secretary, HSU NSW/ACT/QLD