

## St Joseph's Hospital: Reconfiguration of Rehabilitation & Palliative Care Wards

Dear Member,

Attached is correspondence received from St Vincent's Health Network.

It is very important that you are aware of your rights in any change process:

- Members should not feel pressured to accept any changes that they are not happy about.
- Members should ensure that any questions/concerns are raised at the earliest possible time. You have the right to have any concerns raised given due consideration and a detailed response.
- Members also have the right to representation.

Please review the correspondence and distribute this newsletter to members of your sub branch for their information and comments.

Email your comments concerns or questions to your HSU Organiser Peter Mason via email [peter.mason@hsu.asn.au](mailto:peter.mason@hsu.asn.au) by 9 December 2019 using the subject line *St Vincent's Rehabilitation and Palliative Care Wards* by December 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019.

In any change process, we can only represent HSU members. Encourage your workmates to join online at [www.hsu.asn.au/join](http://www.hsu.asn.au/join) or phone 1300 478 679.

In unity,



Gerard Hayes  
Secretary, HSU NSW/ACT/QLD



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### **Reconfiguration of Rehabilitation and Palliative Care Wards at St Joseph's Hospital**

The purpose of this letter is to inform the Health Services Union NSW of the reconfiguration of the Rehabilitation and Palliative Care Wards at St Joseph's Hospital in line with the change clause (6) in The Named NSW (Non-Declared) Affiliated Health Organisations' Health Employees Agreement. It is anticipated that implementation of this arrangement will come into effect from 3 December 2019.

Consultation commenced Monday 9 September 2019 with staff of the Palliative Care Unit (**PCU**), Aged Care Rehabilitation Unit (**ACRU**) and Medical Rehabilitation Unit (**MRU**) has commenced with meetings with staff and ward managers to raise and address any concerns that staff members have. Furthermore, members of the Senior Leadership Team have conducted information sessions with staff members.

The current ward configuration is 15 beds in ACRU, 15 beds in MRU and 14 beds in PCU. The reconfiguration will transition 14 beds from ACRU with 7 beds going to MRU, 7 beds going to PCU, and 1 bed deleted.

The only impact on Administration and Allied Health Staff will be that the service will be delivered in the MRU on Level 1, and the PCU on ground floor.

Please contact Rio Pun on 8382 4067 if you have any enquiries.

Yours sincerely

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