

Blacktown Supply & Distribution members walk off

Dear Member,

This morning, members in the Supply & Distribution department at Blacktown Hospital took stop work action.

The members have endorsed the following resolution:

“The members have considered your response letter regarding the supply & distribution staffing at Blacktown Hospital. The additional 1 FTE for the opening of the new building is obviously not enough staff to cover the service needs not only of that section but all of Blacktown hospital. The workload for Supply & Distribution has more than doubled and an increase of only 1 FTE since the year 2000. The members deem it pointless going into a consultative arrangement to work out other strategies as the chief executive stated in the group meeting with our members he will not approve for more additional staff. The members are in a position because of the lack of staffing have been working at a much faster pace than would be expected, therefore the employer is placing the members in a position of impossible tasks and deadlines of a persistent nature further creating to WHS issues.”

The Supply & Distribution members voted this morning to take industrial action by walking off the job commencing at 6am for the full shift and for the employer to advertise within 1 week to the additional staff of 4 x FTE supply service officers and recruit promptly to these positions.”

In unity,



Gerard Hayes
Secretary, HSU NSW/ACT/QLD



HSU members in Supply & Distribution