

Mersey Community Hospital (MCH) Operating Theatre (OT)

Industrial action update.

Australian Nursing and Midwifery Federation Tasmanian Branch (ANMF) members' at the MCH OT met on Monday 7 January 2019 to discuss the Tasmanian Government's response to the ban on elective surgery commenced on Monday 1 January 2019.

MCH OT members were threatened by the Tasmanian Government that they would be stood down without pay if they did not proceed with elective surgeries.

As a result, members passed a unanimous decision to suspend their ban on elective surgeries as part of the public sector industrial campaign.

They have done so on the condition that the Tasmanian Government comes to the negotiating table on Thursday 10 January 2019 with an improved offer that recognises the goodwill and efforts of Tasmanian nurses and midwives.

A follow up members' meeting to provide an update is scheduled on Monday 14 January 2019 from 0730 in the Recovery Room.

Authorised by Emily Shepherd, Branch Secretary 10 January 2019

