

ANMF Newsflash: North West Regional Hospital

Emergency Department

The Australian Nursing and Midwifery Federation Tasmanian Branch (ANMF) have been consulting with the Tasmanian Health Service (THS) Emergency Department (ED) regarding a proposal to change the shift start and finish times in ED for an interim period during the COVID-19 pandemic response.

The member survey regarding the proposed change is now closed and 86.96% of members voted in favour of a temporary change to the shift times.

The ANMF has written to THS management confirming meal breaks will continue to be paid and confirming key matters around the temporary nature of this change.

The ANMF reiterate that if you have special needs (for example, childcare arrangements) that would preclude you moving to the proposed new shift start times, please contact your Nurse Unit Manager to discuss this in the first instance. It is our understanding that current special circumstances will continue to be maintained.

The ANMF will continue to advocate for members during this difficult time, with further updates and advice provided as they come to hand. If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact our Member Support Team via membersupport@anmftas.org.au or for urgent matters phone 1800 001 241.

Please note: Due to the current COVID-19 situation, our Member Support Team are now practicing social isolation measures and working from home. Bearing this in mind, email is the preferred and fastest way of contacting them.

Authorised by Emily Shepherd, Branch Secretary

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