

ANMF NEWSFLASH

Launceston General Hospital Ward 6D Proposed Benchmarking

On Tuesday 14 February 2023 the Australian Nursing and Midwifery Federation Tasmanian Branch (ANMF) met Tasmanian Health Service (THS) North management to complete the re-benchmarking process for Ward 6D. The following elements, summarised, have been considered for the Ward 6D benchmark:

1. Bed configuration, 11 stroke beds, 21 medical beds.
2. Currently the Clinical Nurse Consultant (CNC) is counted as direct care hours.
3. The Stroke Code process has changed the way the CNC operates within Ward 6D, along with minimum care standards in the first 24 hours.
4. For the purpose of the benchmarking Ward 6D is now a split category ward, 6 Category A beds attracting 7.5 Nursing Hours per Patient Day (NHpPD) and 26 Category B beds at 6 NHpPD.
5. The CNC is proposed to become indirect, outside of direct patient care hours.
6. Proposed new direct care Full Time Equivalent (FTE) of 47.90 plus indirect CNC of 1.82 FTE, total new fillable FTE required is 3.23.

The ANMF is in the process of scheduling a member meeting with 6D members on **Thursday 2 March 2023** to discuss the proposed benchmarking and finer details of this. A meeting notice will be sent to members shortly.

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