



## ANMF NEWSFLASH

# The ANMF Advocates for Ward 6D Members

In a recent meeting with Ward 6D members the proposed 2024 benchmarking for Ward 6D wasn't endorsed, noting that there was no increase in FTE.

Key concerns for members include; Ward 6D consistently exceeding benchmarked hours from July 2023 to February 2024. This is attributed to various factors such as the need for specialised care for complex patients, support duties for ANUMs, COVID-19 care requirements, and more.

The Australian Nursing and Midwifery Federation Tasmanian Branch (ANMF) has also highlighted discrepancies in the allocation of Category A patients between Ward 6D, Ward 5D, and AMU. They argue for a review, emphasising that higher acuity patients require equal nursing care regardless of DRG classification.

Additionally, the ANMF is actively pursuing the resolution of outstanding grievances raised by members. Despite previous efforts, several recommendations from November 30, 2023, remain unaddressed. The ANMF has been authorised to escalate these grievances to Step 3 and apply to the Tasmanian Industrial Commission if necessary.

To address these concerns, the ANMF suggested to THS management reconvening Ward 6D benchmarking with a focus on reallocating Category A beds. This strategic move aims to identify potential staffing increases to meet member concerns satisfactorily.

The ANMF remains committed to advocating for the rights and concerns of Ward 6D members and will continue to provide updates on progress made.



Stay tuned for further developments.

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