

ANMF NEWSFLASH

Launceston General Hospital Operating Room Suite TSO Work Bans

The Australian Nursing and Midwifery Federation Tasmanian Branch (ANMF) has received advice that **TSOs in the ORS currently have work bans** in place that could materially affect the workload of nurses, these include:

- Not assisting with spinal anaesthesia.
- No cleaning of theatres.
- No spiking fluid bags.
- No theatre only supported per TSO.
- No transporting patients to and from ICU or from theatre.
- No PACU lifts or help.

As a result, **the ANMF has communicated with THS management** regarding the TSO HACSU bans in the ORS. The ANMF has requested that measures be put in place **to ensure our members are not required to take on additional duties during this period.**

We have made it clear to the THS that **our members will not be picking up extra duties without additional nursing hours** allocated for these tasks. Furthermore, **any agreement** to take on these duties **will require consultation** with our members, **as performing these tasks could be considered strike-breaking.**

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