



ANMF NEWSFLASH

Royal Hobart Hospital – All Members

Reduction in Consumables – Impact on Patient Safety and the ANMF Response

The Australian Nursing and Midwifery Federation Tasmania Branch (ANMF) has been made aware of significant reductions in the consumables available at the Royal Hobart Hospital, which are **directly impacting patient safety**. These changes, implemented without adequate consultation, have raised serious concerns regarding the potential risks to patient care and the ability of staff to deliver safe, effective services.

In response to these concerns, the ANMF is **seeking a response from the Executive Director of Nursing (EDON) to reverse this change**. We believe this decision was made without proper consultation with frontline staff, and that the reduction in consumables compromises patient safety.

While we acknowledge that this is not acceptable, we are also seeking in the interim that the Tasmanian Health Service (THS) confirm they will accept feedback from ANMF members regarding the **top five non-negotiable consumables** that must remain accessible to all wards without requiring additional approval.

To facilitate this process, we ask all members to complete a **survey** identifying the critical consumables that should remain available for patient care. Your input is essential in ensuring that patient safety is prioritised, and that essential resources are readily available when needed.

Please click on the following link to complete the survey:

<https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form/01960e1433b878599d8e208f4a2918e8>



Your feedback will be collated and presented to management to advocate for the necessary changes.

The ANMF will continue to push for an immediate reversal of the consumables reduction and will keep members updated on any further developments. Thank you for your ongoing commitment to safe patient care and your vital support in this matter.

In solidarity,

Emily Shepherd

Australian Nursing and Midwifery Federation Tasmanian Branch (ANMF)

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