

ANMF NEWSFLASH

Royal Hobart Hospital

Update on Access to Consumables and Non-Consumables

The Australian Nursing and Midwifery Federation Tasmanian Branch (ANMF) has received a formal response from management regarding our concerns about recent changes to access to consumables and non-consumables across the Royal Hobart Hospital.

Management have **disagreed** with our assertion that consultation was required prior to these changes, stating:

"These operational adjustments do not affect core clinical supplies or the standard patient meal service."

The ANMF strongly disagrees

We believe these changes have directly impacted nurses' ability to provide safe, quality care to patients – including nutritional care. These changes have disrupted essential nursing work practices.

Nurses have a professional obligation to ensure patients receive adequate nutrition – this is a fundamental requirement of our care. Limiting access to basic consumables and supplies has compromised our ability to meet this responsibility.

Management has now requested **specific examples** of when nurses have been **unable to provide basic nutrition** due to these changes.

 **We need your input via the survey below.**



Survey: <https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form/019641c118287a689588add60a7ceb52>

Additionally, if you haven't already done so, don't forget to complete the survey [here](#), identifying your top five non-negotiable consumables so we can present this evidence to management and demand the removal of barriers that are impacting patient care and staff safety.

Together, we stand for safe staffing, safe care, and the resources we need to do our job.

In unity.

The ANMF Tasmanian Branch is 8000 plus members strong! Supporting nurses, midwives, and care workers as the only union in Tasmania employing nurses, midwives and care workers to represent members. This is why our Organisers and Member Support Team are uniquely positioned to understand your experiences, represent you in your workplace, and offer industrial advice that's relevant to you.

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