

ANMF NEWSFLASH

Midwifery Matters Workforce Strategy Public Homebirth Consultation

Feedback Sought

The Australian Nursing and Midwifery Federation Tasmanian Branch (ANMF) are preparing a response to the Midwifery Matters Workforce Strategy released by the Department of Health is a consultation draft on how to ensure that there is a consistent approach to midwifery education across the State and that it allows a sustainable and responsive maternity profession into the future.

The ANMF are broadly supportive of the increased focus on women centred care and continuity models as well as the supporting the expanded scope of endorsed midwives in Tasmania. In addition, the ANMF broadly support the increased options for birthing for women and for midwives to practice in support of women who choose to birth on Country and at home. The full consultation draft can be accessed here for full details:

[Midwifery Matters Tasmanian Midwifery Workforce Strategy Consultation Draft 2025-2030.](#)

Expanding upon the publicly funded home birthing proposal in the Midwifery Matter Tasmanian Workforce Strategy Consultation Draft, the Department of Health has released a consultation paper specifically related to the proposed Tasmanian Public Homebirth Program. The ANMF again are broadly supportive of this proposal and the full details of the proposed model can be accessed here: [Tasmanian Public Homebirth Program Draft Consultation Paper.](#)

The ANMF will prepare a submission to both of the above consultation drafts, and we acknowledge that many midwives will also submit their own responses. However, we would like to ensure that we are capturing the views of Tasmanian midwives and invite you to complete our short survey to support the ANMF submissions.

This survey can be accessed here;

Survey: <https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form/0199978922d37f2f8804d7e5ff2a92b4>.



Thank you for taking the time to complete this short survey. We invite feedback until Thursday 2 October 2025. The ANMF will continue to support and advocate for midwifery profession and midwives during these consultation and reform processes.

The ANMF stands with members throughout this consultation and reform process.

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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