

ANMF NEWSFLASH

Southern Cross Care Tasmania Rosary Gardens Closure June 2026

The Australian Nursing and Midwifery Federation Tasmanian Branch (ANMF) has been advised of the planned closure of Southern Cross Care Tasmania (SCCT) Rosary Gardens in **June 2026**.

This news is a major blow to our members, the residents, and their families. We understand this is an incredibly upsetting and stressful time.

Frankly, we are disappointed that SCCT management chose not to inform the ANMF of this decision before the meeting with staff. This is unacceptable, and we will be raising it with them.

Immediate Action and Support

ANMF Branch Secretary Emily Shepherd yesterday, Thursday 6 November 2025, has held **discussions with key stakeholders** on behalf of **our members** at Rosary Gardens. Discussion have been had with the **Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Council on the Ageing (COTA) Tasmania and the Health Minister Bridget Archer**. Those discussion were solely focused on keeping Rosary Gardens open. The ANMF is now prioritising a plan to lobby the Federal Health Minister, noting support from both COTA and Minister Archer for this approach. **Further updates to follow regarding this development.**

In other matters the ANMF is immediately engaging with your employer to get concrete answers on redeployment and redundancy options. We are here to ensure your rights and entitlements are protected.

We recognise the immense difficulty of this situation for all SCCT Rosary Gardens staff.



The loss of 94 aged care beds will have a significant impact on the Tasmanian Health System (THS). Our public sector hospitals are already at capacity, with a significant cohort of patients waiting for aged care placement.

We will be fighting to keep Rosary Gardens open.

We are mobilising support and assistance for all members, see below date and time for our next member meeting. This meeting is crucial for us to provide essential advice, representation, and answer your questions. We will be on-site:

When: Wednesday 12th November 2025.

Time: 1030hrs.

Where: Downstairs Staff Room.

Can't attend the meeting or need to speak with us sooner? Please contact our team directly:

Email: MemberSupport@anmftas.org.au.

Call: 03 6223 6777.

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.

Authorised by Emily Shepherd, ANMF Tasmanian Branch Secretary
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