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MEDIA DOORSTOP:

Workplace Representatives meet with health officials

DATE: Tomorrow, Friday 20th November 2020

TIME: Between 11am – 11.20am. With the opportunity to for media to stay and film part of the plenary session 11.20am - 12pm

LOCATION: Crowne Plaza, Level 4 Conference Room, 110 Liverpool Street, Hobart

WHO: ANMF Tas Branch Secretary, Workplace Representatives and health officials

Workplace Representatives of the Australian Nursing and Midwifery Federation (ANMF) Tasmanian Branch will meet **TOMORROW, Friday 20 December 2020**, for the Annual Delegates Conference (ADC) in Hobart with this year's COVID-19 safe event allowing streaming from around the state.

During this conference, the close to 50 participants will have the opportunity to celebrate the Year of the Nurse and the Midwife, reflect on 2020 and the impact of COVID-19 on nurses, midwives, and care workers across the state, and celebrate the incredible efforts of the nursing and midwifery professions.

“In 2020 - the Year of the Nurse and the Midwife - the nursing and midwifery professions, along with the care worker teams, have been thrust into the global spotlight,” ANMF Branch Secretary Emily Shepherd said.

“While it is unfortunate that the global COVID-19 pandemic achieved this, it still has nonetheless demonstrated the incredible dedication, selflessness, skill, and knowledge nurses, midwives, and their care worker colleagues deliver to their patients, families and the broader community every day - even when posing risks to themselves and their own loved ones.

“We are immensely proud of every nurse, midwife, and care worker. Especially so, the work of our incredible Workplace Representatives who have been leaders in excellence

throughout 2020, the Year of the Nurse and the Midwife and COVID-19, in supporting and advocating for their colleagues and the nursing and midwifery professions.

“We look forward to debriefing with participants on the day and sharing in a well-deserved albeit socially distanced catchup.”

Workshops throughout the day will include a COVID-19 plenary session with speakers including the Chief Nurse and Midwife, Francine Douce, Secretary of Health, Kathrine Morgan-Wicks and Director of Public Health, Mark Veitch.

The session will be an opportunity for participants to gain a better understanding of the COVID-19 preparedness strategies, outbreak management processes and procedures, discuss the longer-term health impacts of COVID-19 on individuals, healthcare systems, and the community, as well as speak to their experiences as healthcare workers during a Q&A session.

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