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Dear Unions

## **Canberra Hospital Helipad Parking Arrangements**

I am writing to inform you of proposed changes to parking arrangements at the Canberra Hospital Helipad carpark.

In mid-2021, following extensive consultation, revised parking arrangements were implemented at the Canberra Hospital Campus. These changes included amendments to access to the Helipad carpark to address safety concerns.

Unfortunately, the implemented changes have not been successful in addressing safety concerns within the Helipad carpark, with a number of team members continuing to park their vehicles outside marked bays or in reserved bays when the Helipad carpark is full. This parking behaviour is dangerous, can stop ambulances accessing the Helipad and is having an adverse impact on the ability for team members to provide urgent care when reserved car parks are not available for them.

It is proposed that from Wednesday 8 March 2023, the time that staff can access the upper Helipad carpark is adjusted to 1:00pm, instead of 11.50am. Under this arrangement, staff that arrive before this time, will be encouraged to park at the Yamba Drive or CIT carparks, or on level 8 of the southern multistorey carpark which also opens at 11.50am and has significant secure staff parking available.

Under this proposal, there will be no change to team members with existing approved 24-hours access to the Helipad carpark. This includes Staff Specialists, Visiting Medical Officers, approved Registrars, mid-call staff from the Canberra Midwifery Program and Continuity at the Canberra Hospital (CATCH) staff, and government vehicles.

Your comment on this proposed change would be welcome before 17 February 2023. Please forward any comments to Canberra Health Services Parking Operations by email [chs.parkingops@act.gov.au](mailto:chs.parkingops@act.gov.au) or by phone on 02 5124 9759.

Yours sincerely

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