



Mr Gerard Hayes
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Via email: info@hsu.asn.au; Kym.Morgan@hsu.asn.au
Attention: Kym Morgan

Dear Mr Hayes,

RE: Relocation of Ryde Aged Care Assessment Team from Ryde Hospital to The Lodge, Macquarie Hospital

I write with reference to the proposed service location change of the Ryde Aged Care Assessment Team (ACAT) to The Lodge in Macquarie Hospital.

As part of the [Ryde Hospital Redevelopment](#), it has been determined that the Ryde ACAT team is unable to be accommodated at the site.

It is proposed that by early May 2023, the ACAT team members currently based at Ryde Hospital move to Level 1 of the Lodge at Macquarie Hospital, North Ryde.

A list of current positions that need to relocate to The Lodge are as follows:

Position	Headcount
ACAT Team Leader	1
ACAT Intake Clinician	2
ACAT Assessor	7

On 24 August 2022, Northern Sydney Local Health District (NSLHD) commenced discussions with the team about the proposed location change. Initial concerns raised by staff regarding the proposed location, included having access to large desks and filing cabinets, as well as ensuring sufficient power points and data outlets are available. Management is working with NSLHD Health Safety & Wellbeing Unit to ensure that each office set up is designed to provide the most ergonomic and safe layout, with additional power points, data outlets and Wi-Fi being installed.

The move to Macquarie Hospital site will provide access to improved staff amenities including free onsite and nearby street parking and a refurbished office space. The Ryde team will also gain better access and be able to work closely with their colleagues in the Macquarie ACAT, Regional Assessment Service and Transitional Aged Care Program teams.

I invite you to provide any feedback, comments, questions, or concerns on this proposal. The consultation period will run for two weeks from the date of this letter. Feedback can be emailed to Judith.Henderson@health.nsw.gov.au.

Thank you for your support in advance. If you require any additional information, please contact Judith Henderson, Manager, Aged and Chronic Care at Judith.Henderson@health.nsw.gov.au. Alternatively, Danielle Chidiac, Senior HR Business Partner, can be contacted at Danielle.Chidiac@health.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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NSLHD Primary and Community Health

Date: 11/4/2023

CC: Danielle Chidiac – Senior HR Business Partner – MHDA & PaCH