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Mr Gerard Hayes Secretary Health Services Union Locked Bag 3 SYDNEY NSW 1215 secretary@hsu.asn.au

## Dear Mr Hayes

I write to advise the Health Services Union (HSU) that following a review of the service delivery requirements for Medical Wards South and North the Day Wardsperson (DW) will be stationed in Med Sth to assist the wardsperson in Med Nth service both wards.

The DW's priority will still be to service the needs of the hospital, however when waiting for a call or in between jobs, they will be expected to support their colleague in Med Nth by providing assistance to nursing staff with patient care and general ward duties for Med Sth.

For consistency, the Afternoon and Night Wardsperson positions will also be stationed in a ward to assist clinical staff in between jobs. Based on job data collected over the past few weeks, the ward allocation for each position will be as follows:

- Day Wardsperson Stationed in Medical Ward South.
- Afternoon Wardspersons One stationed in ICU and the other in Medical Ward North.
- Night Wardsperson Stationed in ICU.

This change will take effect from Monday 20 March 2023 for a trial period of 4 months. The majority of the Wardspersons were consulted at a meeting on Thursday 16 February 2023 at 1:00pm. All Hotel Services Wardspersons have been informed of the decision.

Should you require further information, please contact myself on 4423 9223 or email James.Williams7@health.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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Date: 15 March 2023

CC: Jake Conley, HSU Organiser