

16 March 2023

Mr Gerard Hayes  
Secretary  
Health Services Union  
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Australia Square NSW 1215

Dear Gerard

This letter is to advise NSW Health Pathology Bowral Laboratory has been undertaking a review of its rostering hours.

We did write to the HSU about this matter in June 2022 and received feedback from staff via the HSU and have incorporated these into the revised roster.

The current rostering is:

Monday to Friday – 7.30 am to 10.00pm  
Saturday and Sunday – 8.00am to 4.30pm

There is also an on-call roster shared amongst staff to cover the hours the laboratory is not open.

The proposed changes are to extend the operating hours to cover the hours that we see most specimens arriving in the laboratory. We have been requested by the LHD to have 24/7 coverage but due to specimen numbers we are looking at extending the hours only.

The proposal is for the new hours to be:

Monday to Friday – 7.30 am to midnight  
Saturday and Sunday – 7.30 am to midnight

The staff have been advised today that the extended hours will commence from 17 April 2023.

If you have any queries please feel free to contact me.

Yours sincerely



Siobhan Cunliffe  
**Human Resources Manager**  
NSW Health Pathology East/South