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Dear Ms Hutchins,

Consultation on Proposed Expansion to CHS Pharmacy Operating Hours

The Canberra Health Services Pharmacy Department formally invites the ACT branch of the Health Services Union to provide feedback on proposed changes to the pharmacy operating hours at The Canberra Hospital.

The proposed changes will make better use of available pharmacy resources, helping to get medicines to patients and clinicians at the time that they need it. The changes will offer staff opportunities for greater flexibility, should they seek it, and provide an opportunity to consider different work patterns if they suit both staff and the service.

Attached is a consultation paper that outlines in more detail the proposed changes to shift times and hours of operation.

Feedback on any aspect of the proposal is welcomed and we particularly seek responses to the following questions:

1. Do you think that there is a need for the Pharmacy to expand its current hours of operation?
2. Do the proposed hours of operation fit the needs of the organisation?
3. Does the proposed staffing seem appropriate for extended hours shifts?
4. Do you have any concerns about the proposal so far, if so what are they?
5. What suggestions do you have for different work patterns and hours that may help to expand the Pharmacy hours of operation?
6. Do you have any other feedback you would like to be considered in relation to the proposed expansion of pharmacy service hours?



Feedback is due by close of business on Friday the 11th of October 2024 and can be provided by email to Daniel.Lalor@act.gov.au.

For any further information relating to the proposed expansion of hours for the Pharmacy service and subsequent consultation process, please contact Daniel Lalor on 5124 8623.



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