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WSLHD Ref: WSBRIEF24/1409-2

The Secretary
Health Services Union NSW/ACT
Level 2, 109 Pitt Street
SYDNEY NSW 2000
Email: secretary@hsu.asn.au

Dear Mr Hayes

Re: Establishment of Community Palliative Care services to Western Sydney Local Health District

I write to you to advise you that community palliative care services will be established by Western Sydney Local Health District (WSLHD) in as of 1 July this year, following Silverchain's cessation of contract.

Our plan to form a community palliative care service within Western Sydney Local Health District is part of a wider investment into palliative care across our region.

It will provide 24/7 care in the home for patients who are at the end of life and have advanced, progressive and life-limiting illnesses. It will include access to our specialist team, support for daily activities, counselling and bereavement support.

By bringing the acute and community services together, we will be able to strengthen our models, provide greater access to specialists and increase the capacity of the community system.

The service will complement our hospitals' supportive and palliative care services at Mount Druitt Hospital, our new service at Auburn Hospital and the upcoming refurbished palliative care service at Westmead Hospital.

WSLHD will ensure that any care provided to the local community is not compromised.

Human Resources (HR) will be in consultation with employees of the department regarding service changes, however as this is an addition of FTE, there are no employees being affected by the implementation.

If you have any questions or wish to discuss this matter further, please contact Nicole Truelove, Director Human Resources, Integrated & Community Health on 0434 603 594 or Nicole.Truelove@health.nsw.gov.au. A meeting can be arranged to discuss any issues should you feel appropriate to discuss in person.

Yours sincerely

Jasmin Ellis
General Manager
Integrated & Community Health

Date: 14.5.24

