

Our ref: T20/68846

Dr Tom Karplus
Secretary
Australian Salaried Medical Officers' Federation
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Dear Dr Karplus

I refer to your letter of 2 October 2020 concerning allegations of an unreasonable workload and refusal to meet obligations under the Hospital Medical Officers Award for surgical registrars at the Randwick Campus.

The hospital is in the process of undertaking a review of workloads and rostering schedules of all registrar positions with a view to implement any agreed changes for the 2021 clinical year. The issues raised in your letter will be formally addressed as part of those discussions.

Your letter has also been forwarded to the Surgical Program and will be considered at their regular Department Head meeting. I should be in a position to provide a more detailed response after that time.

Any refusal to pay junior doctors in accordance with the provisions for the Award is not consistent with the views of either the Prince of Wales Hospital Executive, nor those of the District Executive. As ASMOF would be aware, SESLHD has worked hard to improve JMO wellbeing in past years, and any perception by any junior doctor to the contrary is disappointing.

Should you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact Dr Martin Mackertich, Director of Clinical Services either on 9382 2001 or by email to martin.mackertich@health.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely



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Date: 14.10.20

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