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## MILDURA BASE HOSPITAL COMMUNITY CONSULTATION

### HAVE YOUR SAY ON THE FUTURE OF MILDURA BASE HOSPITAL

Did you know that Mildura Base Hospital is the only remaining public hospital in Victoria that is still a privately-run organisation? Mildura Base Hospital has been operated by Ramsay Health since in 1998, however this agreement will expire in 2020 and the current State Government is now seeking consultation from the local community into the future of the hospital.

[Now is your chance to have your say! Go to this website to complete the short survey now!](#) You can also provide a written submission to share your opinion by emailing [milduraconsultation@dhhs.vic.gov.au](mailto:milduraconsultation@dhhs.vic.gov.au)

**[www.engage.vic.gov.au/future-health-care-needs-mildura](http://www.engage.vic.gov.au/future-health-care-needs-mildura)**

HACSU Area Organiser Ginny Adams has been talking to members in Mildura and the overwhelming feedback we've received is that members want to see the hospital to return to being a publicly operated hospital.

As a private sector employee, staff aren't eligible for salary sacrificing, which public sector mental health staff currently receive. **This can impact wages by up to \$7000 a year!**

Furthermore, money invested into the hospital could be used to help improve the sector overall, rather than to line the pockets of Ramsay Health.

Why should the Mildura community face different circumstances to all others in Victoria? Please complete the survey to help change the rules for all staff working at Mildura Base Hospital!

*If you have any further questions about this survey or want to chat to us about your experiences at Mildura Base Hospital, you can contact your Organiser Ginny on 0400 140 349.*

In union,

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