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Workforce and Corporate Operations

TO	All Sydney Local Health District Staff
FROM	Gina Finocchiaro, Director Workforce and Corporate Operations
SUBJECT	Return of staff car parking fees

From 1 July 2021 during the COVID-19 pandemic, the NSW Government supported free parking on a temporary basis for all NSW Health staff. Following the return of NSW Health to foundational level for infection prevention and control measures, NSW Health has advised the recommencement of pre-COVID-19 car parking access and standard charging arrangements for staff from 1 February 2024.

Staff with existing permanent parking arrangements in place can continue with this arrangement if they wish. Existing permanent parking holders will shortly receive an email requesting confirmation of their intention to keep their permanent parking arrangement and resume payroll deductions. If email responses are not returned **prior to 22 January 2024**, parking access will not be activated. This timeframe is to enable the collation and submission of reports to HealthShare NSW for reactivation of payroll deductions. Staff on long term leave can have parking access suspended for up to 12 months.

In addition to the above, facilities will be reviewing current waitlists and confirming with staff if they wish to remain on the waitlist.

Staff who elect to keep their permanent parking pass will be charged at a rate according to their employment status (full-time or part-time based on contracted hours of work).

Parking rates will, wherever possible, be standardised across RPA, Concord and Balmain Hospitals at \$27.20 per week for full time staff. Booth Street Balmain car park will be \$16.00 per week for full time staff until the amenity of the car park has been improved.

Canterbury Hospital's car park, currently operated by IPG, has set the rates at \$23.39 per week for full time employees parking in the undercover car park and \$11.70 per week for full time staff parking in the outdoor car park.

Payroll deductions will recommence from the first full pay period to commence on or after 1 February 2024. The applicable dates are:

- For non- nursing staff: 5 February 2024
- For nursing staff: 12 February 2024

Staff members who do not have approved parking access, but elect to park in the public car parks, will be charged the applicable public rates (eg >5 hrs + \$23.30 per day). Casual parking rates for staff may be available at Canterbury and Concord Hospital sites and local communication will be provided.

Further communication will shortly be distributed by facility General Managers.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'G. Finocchiaro'.

Gina Finocchiaro,
Director, Workforce and Corporate Operations

Date: 20 December 2023