

Resolution Mersey Hospital Staff

This meeting of [insert] hospital medical staff highlights its concern that the Bartlett Government is allowing our enterprise bargaining agreement to expire without replacement and is not recognising that the morale of doctors in Tasmania is extremely poor.

The Premier must take immediate action to ensure that public hospitals can attract and retain the medical workforce necessary to:

- ❖ provide the care that Tasmanians need; and
- ❖ train the next generation of doctors.

We call on the Premier to act now and avoid playing with the health of Tasmanians by:

1. Answering the President of AMA Tasmania's 12 May letter.
2. Regularly meeting in good faith with AMA Tasmania at the C2009 bargaining table until agreement is reached.
3. Working with AMA Tasmania to find solutions to the unsustainable & escalating medical staff workloads and the dilution of a quality teaching environment for junior medical staff.

This meeting expresses the unanimous view that failure to make any meaningful progress towards a C2009 enterprise bargaining agreement will inevitably adversely affect patient safety, health care quality and the recruitment & retention of doctors in Tasmania.

This meeting authorises AMA Tasmania to talk with hospital doctors to:

- ❖ discuss options for the potential implementation of Professional Action and raise awareness of the issues affecting the Tasmanian public hospital system.

AMA Tasmania is to regularly report back to the Membership.