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Media Alert

Staff car-parking costs almost double at RPAH

Brett Holmes, General Secretary of the NSW Nurses and Midwives Association (NSWNMA), will gather with nurses and midwives at a lunchtime rally outside Royal Prince Alfred Hospital (RPAH) TODAY, Tuesday 12 April, to call on the State Government to intervene and resolve the car parking problems.

Since the 1,050 space carpark was handed back to private operator, Macquarie International Health, there have been multiple fee increases. Staff parking increased to \$5 per exit on 2 November, 2015 and then jumped to \$7 per exit on 11 March, 2016. As of Saturday, 9 April, staff entering after 600 spaces are filled will now be charged **\$12 per exit**.

RPAH employs approximately 4,000 staff. Of this, around half hold a parking pass. These staff will now compete for the 600 spots to avoid paying the \$12 exit fee.

The NSWNMA and Royal Prince Alfred Hospital Branch are seeking safe, accessible car parking for now and into the future that honours the Liverpool Agreement, which adjusts fees by the CPI, not when it suits.

Nurses, midwives, doctors, allied health and other hospital staff will take part in the rally to raise awareness in the local community.

WHEN: from 12:30pm TUESDAY, 12 April 2015

WHAT: Interview/photo opportunities

WHERE: Royal Prince Alfred Hospital campus
Cnr Missenden Road and Salisbury Road (*on the small grass area*)
Camperdown NSW 2050

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