

Members vote on action in the Hunter the fight continues

A strike will take place on 4 November 2015. Further bulletins on the detail of this strike will be sent in coming days.

On 1 October 2015, PSA members in the Hunter District voted to take strike action.

Acting PSA General Secretary Steve Turner addressed the meeting, and explained why it is so important to take action now. The strike action was unanimously supported by members at the meeting.

You can read the PSA media release [HERE](http://psa.asn.au/carers-vote-to-strike-action-over-crisis-in-disability-sector/)
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You can read the ABC News article [HERE](http://www.abc.net.au/news/2015-10-01/disability-carers-discuss-strike-action-over-govt27s-privatisa/6818542)
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Lifestyle Planning ban

In response to the unscheduled rollout of the NDIS in the Nepean Blue Mountains, the Hunter PSA Workplace Group has passed a motion that all new Lifestyle Planning in the Newcastle, Lake Macquarie and Maitland Local Government Areas be ceased and be transferred to NDIS and plan nominees.

Members working in these areas are therefore directed by the PSA to cease undertaking this work and transfer it immediately to plan nominees.

Lifestyle Planning does not include risk or health management plans

Risk and health management plans should continue as needed. For example, the following plans are not included:

EMP – Epilepsy Management Plan

BSP – Behaviour Support Plan

HCP – Health Care Plan

CRP - Client Risk profile

N&S – Nutrition and Swallowing

MMP – Mealtime Management Plan

Note: This is not an exhaustive list.

If you have questions or concerns about the implementation of this ban please contact your workplace group delegates.

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The PSA's A *Real* Choice campaign is being run across the whole of ADHC & Home Care.

The campaign is seeking:

- A *Real* Choice for employees on whether to transfer to the private sector or access redeployment within the public sector or voluntary redundancy.
- A legally enforceable and fair transfer agreement, eg, the transfer payment for NSW Ferries employees was 30 weeks.
- A legal mechanism to ensure that members' jobs and conditions are protected.
- To ensure that ADHC clients can continue to choose ADHC as their provider of choice.
- To ensure that the new NDIS money is spent on building capacity in the disability sector, and not wasted on transferring what exists in ADHC to a less regulated and less experienced sector.

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