

PSA Members @ Health call on the Ministry to take action

PSA members at Health met last week and have passed a motion calling on the Ministry to do more for staff on mental health in the workplace.

The motion was in support of a resolution passed by delegates to the inaugural PSA Mental Health Conference held on 9 October 2018.

NSW is one of the only states that do not have a mental health strategy for their own staff.

Victoria, Western Australia, South Australia, and Queensland all have mental health plans for their public services, yet more people develop mental illness working for the NSW Government than at any other employer in the country.

MoH members call on the Ministry to take action

Members attending the PSA meeting on 10 October 2018 passed the following motion calling on the Ministry to take immediate action for its own staff:

This meeting of PSA members supports the PSA Mental Health Conference motion calling on the NSW Government to develop, in consultation with unions, a mental health strategy for the entire Public Sector.

As PSA members at the Ministry of Health we now call on the Ministry to develop a mental health strategy, in consultation with the Public Service Association of NSW, to ensure all Ministry employees are healthy and safe at work.

We will be tabling the motion at the Ministry of Health Joint Consultative Committee meeting tomorrow and will report back to members on the Ministry's response.

Did you know?

The PSA has a Facebook page dedicated to these issues and to supporting PSA members in the workplace.

Our Safer Together program provides practical skills to build capacity and resilience amongst PSA members.

To support this, we run specialised **Care and Resilience Training** which as members you can attend for free. To find out how [CLICK HERE](#).

Or visit, like and follow the [SAFER TOGETHER](#) Facebook page.

Your Ministry of Health delegates are:

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