

**Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009**  
**s.159 – Alteration of other rules of an organisation**

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**Reg 126 - Alteration of other rules of an organisation**

**NOTICE SETTING OUT PARTICULARS OF THE ALTERATION OF RULES OF AN ORGANISATION (OTHER THAN THE ELIGIBILITY RULE) AND DECLARATION OF AUTHORISED OFFICER**

I, Lloyd Williams, being the National Secretary of the Health Services Union (**HSU**), give notice of the following matters in relation to the rules of the HSU:

1. The HSU is an organisation of employees registered under the *Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009*.
2. I am authorised to give this notice of particulars of alterations to the rules of the HSU and to make this declaration as required by regulation 126 of the *Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Regulations 2009*.
3. The particulars of the alterations to the rules are set out in **Appendix A** to this declaration in marked up format with changes made in red.
4. The rule changes are in relation to **rule 43** which is a branch rule for the purposes of rule 39(d) of the HSU rules.
5. I declare that the alterations particularised in **Appendix A** were made in accordance with the rules of the HSU. The actions taken under those rules to alter the rules include:
  - (a) A meeting of the Branch Council of the NSW Branch of the HSU was held by on 29 March 2023.
  - (b) The meeting was called in accordance with Rule 45(a). A copy of the Draft Agenda is provided at **Appendix B**.
  - (c) The draft agenda for the Branch Council meeting included the advice that the rule change contained in **Appendix A** were to be considered at the meeting.
  - (d) A quorum was present at the meeting. A copy of the Attendance Register of the Branch Council Meeting held on 29 March 2023 is provided at **Appendix C**.
  - (e) At the meeting a resolution of a majority of the members of the Branch Council present and voting in accordance with the rules, resolved that the rules of the HSU be altered as detailed in **Appendix A**. Draft minutes of the meeting are provided at **Appendix D**, which includes an explanation of the reason for the rule change.
  - (f) The proposed variations to the rules relate to the internal management of the NSW/ACT/QLD Branch in accordance with rule 39 (d)-(e).

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- (g) The rule change contained in **Appendix A** involves the removal of the requirement that one of the Branch's Councillors shall come from the Health Managers Sub-Branch. The Health Managers Sub-Branch Councillor position is currently vacant, the previous Councillor (Walter Towney) having resigned his position on 10 March 2023. For completeness, a copy of Mr Towney's resignation is attached at **Appendix E**.
  - (h) A copy of the current rules of the Health Services Union are provided at **Appendix F**. The relevant rules other than the changes are:
    - i. Rule 39 (d)-(e); which allows the Branch to manage its own affairs; and
    - ii. Rule 43; which provides that the NSW/ ACT/ QLD Branch Council is the supreme governing body of the Branch; and
    - iii. Rule 43(f)(iv) which provides the power for the NSW/ ACT/ QLD Branch Council to alter, vary, amend or rescind the rules of the Branch; and
    - iv. Rule 43(g); which provides for the number of members required for a quorum for the NSW/ ACT/ QLD Branch Council.
  - (i) On 5 April 2023 the Branch Secretary's Executive Assistant provided all necessary information and documentation in relation to the rule change.
6. I have directed that a notification be posted on the HSU's website in relation to the rule changes contained in this notice and declaration as soon as practicable following the lodgement of this notice.
7. I declare that the particulars set out in this notice are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.



Lloyd Williams  
**National Secretary**  
Date 13 April 2023