

Right to Information Decision – Public Disclosure Log

Right to Information No.: RTI201516-124

Information Requested

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- 2 Please include information on any double shifts that have been performed by nursing staff because of inability to find anyone to 'fill in' as well as nursing staff who have had to work 12 hours shifts.
- 3 How many vacant shifts were unable to be filled over this period of time within each establishment?

Decision and Statement of Reasons

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Nursing Sick Leave Hours Paid and Unpaid by Quarter* and Hospital

Hospital	June 14 Qtr	Sept 14 Qtr	Dec 14 Qtr	Mar 15 Qtr	Jun 15 Qtr	Sept 15 Qtr	Dec 15 Qtr	Mar 16 Qtr
Launceston General Hospital	19 875	26 566	19 226	19 634	20 090	26 647	18 867	21 305
Mersey Community Hospital	5 086	6 837	6 248	6 106	6 184	8 438	5 485	5 282
North West Regional Hospital	5 564	8 222	6 100	6 804	7 075	8 188	6 950	6 393
Royal Hobart Hospital	28 426	36 870	28 360	28 786	29 143	39 328	29 019	29 298
Grand Total	58 952	78 495	59 934	61 330	62 491	82 601	60 320	62 278

*Note March and September Quarters have 7 pay periods, June and December quarters have 6 pay periods.

- 2 **Please include information on any double shifts that have been performed by nursing staff because of inability to find anyone to 'fill in' as well as nursing staff who have had to work 12 hours shifts AND**
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The Tasmanian Health Service is not able to answer question two and question three. Data is not recorded in this specific way to allow for any information to be provided.