

Vote **YES**

to approve your agreement
in the electronic ballot by
3pm Monday 18 December



Bupa EBA campaign update 32

FRIDAY 15 DECEMBER 2017

Bupa EBA ballot is open - ANMF recommends a YES vote

1. VOTE YES before the ballot closes, 3pm Monday 18 December

Bupa ANMF members are encouraged to vote YES in the EBA ballot which opened on Wednesday 13 December and will close at 3pm, Monday 18 December 2017.

You can [view the agreement here anmfvic.asn.au/bupaeba17](http://anmfvic.asn.au/bupaeba17)

After 37 days of historic private aged care industrial action ANMF members voted last month to accept a proposed enterprise bargaining agreement settlement.

Vote YES in the ballot to formalise the agreement to start receiving the significant benefits, including wage rises and back pay. [Read the ANMF vote YES flier](#)

The pay rise and proposed settlement applies to all Victorian Bupa employees, not just ANMF members, who will be able to vote on the question 'Do you approve the Bupa Aged Care Australia Victorian Enterprise Agreement 2017 – 2020?'

Make sure your vote counts and participate in this important process via the link your employer has provided to you. **Approval requires a YES vote by more than 50 per cent of those employees who vote.**

Ballot timeline

Employer makes agreement available to employees: from 2pm, Tuesday 5 December [Read the agreement](#)

Ballot opens: 3pm, Wednesday 13 December - click this link to vote www.votingservices.com.au/bupavic

Ballot closes: 3pm, Monday 18 December

Ballot declared: Tuesday 19 December. If a YES vote is declared, the employer then files the agreement with the Fair Work Commission for final approval. Once the agreement has FWC approval it becomes legally enforceable seven days later.

For more information about clarifying misinformation made in claims by the Health Workers Union see [campaign update 30](#) and [campaign update 31](#).

If you have any questions or concerns contact the ANMF Information Line on 9275 9333 or infoline@anmfvic.asn.au

Victorian Bupa aged care EBA ballot

Bupa's Victorian nurses and carers should be proud of their strong and united 37-day protected industrial action campaign to improve their wages and working conditions.

In December 2016 Bupa offered a 2.1 per cent wage increase in a one-year agreement with no other changes. You voted **YES** to a significantly improved EBA settlement at members meetings on Wednesday 8 November 2017. You now need to vote **YES** to formalise the EBA to start receiving your new wages, backpay and all the benefits including:

- ✓ Wages and allowances (1 August 2017 – 1 July 2020).
 - 11.25 per cent wage rise over a three-year agreement with back pay from 1 August 2017**
 - 2.75 per cent – 1 August 2017**
 - 2.5 per cent – 1 July 2018**
 - 2.5 per cent – 1 July 2019**
 - 1 per cent – 1 October 2019**
 - 2.5 per cent – 1 July 2020**
- ✓ A written and signed commitment that the first pay rise in the next agreement will be from 1 July 2021.
- ✓ The Sunday morning shift penalty rate will increase from 150 to 175 per cent for personal care workers and other all other support staff. This is an extra \$5 per hour or approx \$35 per Sunday morning shift.
- ✓ A staff replacement and workload management clause that:
 - encourages nurses and carers to raise workload issues, including leave replacement, in staff meetings
 - encourages nurses and carers to discuss concerns about unreasonable workloads with their manager. If appropriate action is not taken to address the issue, the employee may utilise the dispute resolution procedure. (Your ANMF Organiser can assist members with this process).
- ✓ A transition to retirement clause for employees, aged 55 years and over, who want to retire within the next five years. This enables nurses and carers to reduce their hours without impacting their accrued long service leave entitlements.
- ✓ An improved entitlement for part-time employees to have regular additional hours worked, above their contracted hours, recognised.
- ✓ A fairer excess annual leave clause. Staff will be able to accrue up to six weeks leave instead of four weeks without being directed by management to take a week's leave.
- ✓ An entitlement to use any accrued personal leave as family violence leave. This is significant recognition by a major private aged care employer that nurses and carers in a family violence situation need to maintain their employment but need time off work for legal, court and medical appointments or to make other safety arrangements.
- ✓ An improved parental leave clause, similar to the Victorian public sector nurses and midwives agreement clause, that recognises circumstances where a child dies, is still born or a neonatal death occurs.
- ✓ An improved e-learning clause where nurses and carers will be paid to undertake courses at work. Employees will be paid for any required online training that cannot occur during your shift.

View the proposed agreement anmfvic.asn.au/bupaeba17