

# Media Statement

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SUBJECT Histopathology service at Griffith Base Hospital

***Please attribute to NSW Health Pathology's Chief Executive Tracey McCosker***

We've listened to the Griffith community including representations from local MP Adrian Piccoli and the local council and will no longer proceed with proposed changes to our histopathology service at Griffith Base Hospital.

This means histopathology samples collected from patients at Griffith will continue to be tested and diagnosed at our Griffith lab by our on-site staff.

We want to reassure the community our pathology lab at Griffith Hospital remains open and we recently enhanced our services at Griffith by adding rapid flu testing in July.

We respect the community's voice and remain committed to providing high quality care for patients in the Griffith region.

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