

Christmas Closedown and Additional Public Holiday 2023 -2024

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PURPOSE

This Information Bulletin is to inform NSW Health staff of the dates of the Christmas Closedown period 2023-2024 and the additional public holiday for NSW Health staff during this period.

KEY INFORMATION

Christmas Closedown Dates for 2023

The Christmas Closedown period for 2023 -2024 is Monday 25 December 2023 to Friday 5 January 2024 inclusive.

Gazetted public holidays during this period are:

- Monday 25 December - Christmas Day
- Tuesday 26 December - Boxing Day
- Monday 1 January - New Year's Day

NSW Health Information Bulletin *Public Holidays 2023 to 2024* ([IB2023_033](#)) provides the dates of public holidays from 2023-2024.

Christmas Closedown dates are as per the Premier's Memorandum [M2023-02](#) Christmas Closedown for the years 2023-2026.

Additional Public Holiday for NSW Health staff during this period

In accordance with the provisions of relevant industrial instrument/s, an additional public holiday for NSW Health staff may be observed during the Christmas/New Year period.

Except for staff of the Broken Hill Health Service, NSW Health staff (including NSW Ambulance) will observe an additional public holiday on **Friday 29 December 2023**.

Staff of the Broken Hill Health Service observe an additional public holiday on the first Monday in September each year, that day being 4 September for 2023.

For the avoidance of doubt, Visiting Medical Officers are excluded from the Additional Public Holiday on 29 December 2023.

Gazetted Public Holidays published by NSW Industrial Relations

The full list of gazetted public holidays for NSW is published [by NSW Industrial Relations](#).