





## Doctors in Unite Support Junior Doctors

The doctors and medical students section and the whole Health Sector of Unite the Union fully support NHS junior doctors in their fight for a fair and safe contract. Unite NHS members understand that the doctors' fight is their fight too as the government wants to reduce wages across the NHS regardless of the effect on patient services.

The misleading 11% addition to basic pay will not come anywhere near compensating for the reduction in unsocial hours pay and other disbenefits of the imposed contract

## **Doctors in Unite therefore:**

- Encourage all BMA registered junior doctors to vote 'YES' for Industrial Action and 'YES' to voting to strike
- Urge all doctors: a) to support the commitment by the Junior Doctors' Committee of the BMA to put any settlement offer to a further vote of junior doctors and b) to keep up

the pressure to ensure this commitment is carried out

- Will campaign amongst Unite and other NHS staff to support this dispute in its own right, to prepare for their own battle on unsocial hours and to protect and extend our NHS
- Ask Unite reps to support BMA reps in their Trusts and build local campaigns of solidarity – their fight is our fight!
- Will help inform the public about the need to support our doctors, particularly when the government begin their propaganda to discredit the doctors' case and their cause for a fair and safe contract
- Invites all doctors and medical students to join *Doctors in Unite* 
   whether BMA members or not so that the full weight of the country's biggest union can be brought to bear on the government.

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## Join Doctors in Unite (MPU section of Unite)

Unite's national health sector committee representing over 100,000 NHS professional staff has voted to support the doctors' dispute and asked for resources to be made available so that Unite can play its part in securing a contract for junior doctors that is safe and fair to them and their patients

**Doctors in Unite** comes from the **Medical Practitioners' Union** founded over 100 years ago and is a section of Unite the UK's largest union. We led support during the 1975 strike of junior doctors and together with other Unite members in your Trust will do so again.

Our activities over the years include:

- Leading the campaign to reduce junior doctor hours from 120 to 80 a week (1970's)
- Exposing the racism in recruiting medical students (1980's)
- Pioneering GP commissioning models as an alternative to GP fundholding (1990's)
- Demanding improved health services for asylum seekers and detainees (2004)
- Campaigning against the Health & Social Care Act (2010's).

**Doctors in Unite (MPU)** is the alternative union that:

- Unequivocally supports a comprehensive NHS free at the point of need
- Defends its members when they take a principled stand in support of health services for all
- Campaigns against discrimination within the profession or affecting patient care
- Mutually supports its member over difficult issues in health care and the role of doctors in society
- Welcomes medical students.

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