

Health Agencies Branch AGM Newsletter 2024

AGM 2024

It's about You, Your Branch, Your Say and Your Vote

Our Branch AGM is the single most important meeting of the year. Every year UNISON requires its branch officers and stewards to stand for re-election. The AGM is your opportunity to have a say in how the branch is run and who will represent you in 2024.

It is also a great opportunity to meet with other members and UNISON stewards and to find out how UNISON has been active on your behalf during the year. We will be holding physical and virtual AGM's to ensure participation by as many members as possible.

If you would like to become more active in UNISON: Representing your colleagues or becoming involved in solidarity or welfare work, please contact your branch.

AGM Meeting Dates

Mon 19 Feb @ 11am, Gransha Park House, Seminar room

Tues 20 Feb @ 7.00pm, Zoom online AGM

Wed 21 Feb @ 11.30am, Boucher Pals, Seminar room

Wed 21 Feb @ 10am, Franklin Street board room

One of our AGMs will be held via the Zoom online platform. Zoom is free to download on tablet or smartphone, or can be accessed at <https://zoom.us/>.

You can join the AGM on Zoom in a number of ways:

1. Click here: <https://rb.gy/8qsr5l>
2. Join via the Zoom app (free to download)
3. Access the Zoom website - <https://zoom.us/>.

Or scan the QR code to register for meeting.



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Health Service Pay - Industrial Action

On Thursday 21st and Friday 22nd of September during a period of 48 hours, ambulance crews, nurses, health care assistants, pharmacists, radiographers, porters, admin and technical staff, cleaners and catering took strike action. Payroll staff took action for a shorter period to ensure their co-workers receive their pay on time - a decision highly commended by their union colleagues.

UNISON members in the health service are fed up with the current impasse in their just pursuit of pay parity. They have decided not to remain silent as politicians dither and delay a resolution of their political differences. They have resolved to continue demanding that the Secretary of State use his powers of economic governance to include funding for the restoration of pay parity.

NHS workers in England and Wales had their pay uplift from April this year.

Why should health staff in Northern Ireland have to wait? No amount of finger pointing at local politicians justifies this appalling situation. UNISON members have no intention of staying silent or just putting up with it.



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NOT YET A UNISON MEMBER? JOIN TODAY!
Call Membership on 028 9027 0190 or join online <https://join.unison.org.uk>

Membership Services

UNISON Welfare – ‘There For You’

The Branch want to remind you to use this service which is FREE to all UNISON members and is there for you at times of difficulty and crisis. For full details please see UNISON's website.

www.unison.org.uk/get-help/

Legal Advice

Thompson's NI are our specialist employment solicitors. For free legal advice and support on Personal injury and non-employment matters, contact: **0800 0857 857**

Quilter Financial advice

Quilter Financial Advice can help you resolve financial issues whatever your circumstances or stage in life, contact: **08000 85 85 90**

Update Your Details

Changed your name, moved house or have a new number? Do we have your email address? If not you are missing out on important updates and information.

You can update your details using our online form by scanning the QR code below or by emailing: NI-RMSTeam@unison.co.uk

Check your membership status by checking your payslip for deductions or your bank for direct debit. If this is not up to date, then you may NOT be a UNISON member. Please contact membership services on: 028 90 270190.

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We need more reps!

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DO YOU BELIEVE IN JUSTICE FOR WORKERS?

COULD YOU STAND UP FOR WORK COLLEAGUES?

**GET ELECTED
BECOME
A STEWARD**

Illustration of a woman in a purple UNISON shirt pointing forward.

Health Agencies Branch supporting our members

Over the past year, the branch has:

- Raised and resolved numerous health and safety issues;
- Attended health and safety meetings with the employer;
- Raised issues around the working from home policy and achieved changes to it;
- Represented members at grievance and disciplinary hearings;
- Represented members interests at regional forums;
- Organised strikes and action short of strike for members in BSO and Arm's Length Bodies;
- Processed strike pay for our members who took part in industrial action;
- Held virtual members meetings.



UNISON College offers over 700 different course topics to our members each year, ranging from in person accredited learning to virtual and eLearning CPD modules. We offer E learning modules through the skills academy and Nursing times CPD Zone. These are fully funded for all UNISON members. Additionally, we offer learning grants, funded places on K102 Open University modules, in person and virtual sessions.

Our sessions can be booked via our app or by emailing educationni@unison.co.uk

You can access our education grants; eLearning modules and application forms and pre-recorded lectures by scanning this code.



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