

# Why are we asking you to wear this button?

Our collective bargaining is reaching a point where a strike may be possible, and the government and AHS continue to delay bargaining.

We must show solidarity as HSAA members and raise awareness that we will strike for fair wages if needed!

## What to tell members or the public who ask about it?

- The government and AHS are unwilling to negotiate for fair wages and want to roll back wages and benefits for many professions.
- These concessions are pushing our negotiations into formal mediation and toward job action.
- We support our bargaining committee and are willing to negotiate for fair wages, but we will strike if necessary!

## What to do if you are asked to take it off?

Wearing union buttons and logos is a protected form of freedom of expression

#### However, if a supervisor or manager asks you to take it off

- Comply with their request
- Write down what they asked you to do and why. The time and who asked you.
- Get in contact with your Labour Relations Officer by calling 1-844-280-HSAA (4722)
- Your union will support you. You can wear this button but must comply with management's direction to remove it and exercise your rights through your Labour Relations Officer.

### What not to do while wearing the button?

- Do not use employer time to spread union messages.
- If patients or members of the public ask questions about the button keep your response brief and stick to the talking points noted above.
- Do not get into detailed conversations about workplace or bargaining issues with patients or the public.
- Do not alter your uniform in any way beyond wearing a button.
- Do not wear the button if you're prohibited from wearing them by a pre-existing employer or worksite policy

### Have more questions?

Reach out to <u>AHSbargaining@HSAA.ca</u> or get in contact with your Labour Relations Officer by calling 1-844-280-HSAA (4722)