

## SUPPORT JUNIOR DOCTORS AND NHS STUDENTS



## DEFEND NHS BURSARIES, UNSOCIAL HOURS PAYMENTS AND OUR NHS

# All Welcome Thursday 4th February, 7-8.30pm

Lecture Theatre 1.4, University of Bristol Medical School, 31-37 St Michaels Hill,

BS2 8DZ

(Front entrance next to what used to be Anthem restaurant at bottom of St Michael's Hill.

Refreshments available from 6.30pm.

For directions and information: 079 89 105 449 / 079 83 233 908)

### Learn, share and discuss views with:

Junior Doctors in BMA, participants in 24hour strike on 12th January

Nursing students currently at UWE, organising to defend bursaries for health trainees

Health workers, trade unionists and campaigners defending our NHS from cuts

#### **Supporters include:**

Severn Junior Doctors Pressure Group, UWE Students Against Cutting the NHS Bursary, UNITE Bristol Area Health Branch, Bristol People's Assembly, Bristol Against the Trade Union Bill, Protect our NHS, Bristol Unite the Resistance, Bristol University UCU

### JUNIOR DOCTORS STRIKING TO DEFEND UNSOCIAL HOURS PAY ARE THE FRONT LINE IN DEFENCE OF THE NHS

This is everyone's fight.

Junior doctors already work 7 days a week and at all hours. The government wants them to work more antisocial hours but has not proposed any extra doctors or extra money. They want to extend basic hours from 7am to 7pm Monday to Friday, to 7am-10pm Monday to Saturday which would mean less pay for antisocial working hours. Junior doctors oppose this and oppose the loss of protection from long working hours which could impact patient safety.

All the other NHS staff are next in the firing line for cuts to unsocial hours payments. Cheaper staff will make the NHS more attractive to the private companies who see profit to be made from running services. Doctors and other staff already under pressure will make mistakes or leave the service harming patient care.

The British Medical Association (bma.org.uk) is seeking to negotiate and has twice suspended planned action (in December 2015 and on 26th/27th January 2016)

#### Support future planned action:

Sunday 7th February, assemble 11.30am, Brandon Hill, Bristol BS1 March to protest for a safer, fairer contract for junior doctors!

Wednesday 10th February, 8am-5pm Junior Doctors strike

Support strikers: Visit picket lines at main hospitals. Wear a BMA badge

#### OUR NHS IS UNDER ATTACK BUT SUPPORTERS ARE ORGANISING

- Students organised a march of 5000 in London on 9th January and sparked a campaign against plans to remove NHS Bursaries for study of nursing, midwifery, Occupational Therapy, Speech and Language Therapy, Operating Theatre Practice, Radiography, dietetics, podiatry...#bursaryorbust
- Mental Health workers and NHS supporters are opposing the takeover of services for the most vulnerable people by private companies such as Virgin and the race to the bottom that damages NHS-run services too as they are made cheaper to win contracts. https://protectournhs.wordpress.com
- Legislation to re-instate the NHS. Privatisation is not inevitable. A private members Bill will
  come to Parliament on 11th March 2016 with measures to re-instate the best of a publicly
  funded and accountable National Health Service.
   Lend your support. http://www.nhsbill2015.org/the-bill/

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