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NHS staff are struggling

The staff who are our NHS are struggling - and any account either of how we continue to contain COVID or how we recover as a society has to take that into account. UNISON has called on Health Secretary, Humza Yousaf, to meet us to discuss reports the serious difficulties in the NHS in Scotland.

The pressure staff are under is taking its toll and staff are struggling to continue to provide safe and quality services. Issues reported to the Scottish Health Secretary include: staff breaks; staff turnover; skills mix of health teams and that staff are very tired and drained at the end of their working day. Read [more](#).

[Dundee university members action to prevent Superannuation Scheme closure](#)

[UNISON Scotland's International Committee welcomes Glasgow Climate Dialogues Communiqué](#)

[Healthcare assistants band together over pay](#)

[The Homelessness Monitor: Scotland 2021](#)

UNISON Care Futures No 1
Who will work for a National Care Service?

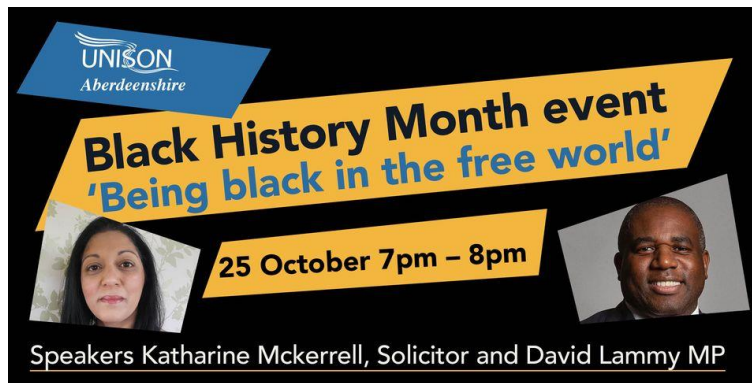
UNISON Care Futures No2
What would Fair Work look like in a National Care Service?



COP26 Coalition Trade Union Meeting Dates



Stephen Smellie, deputy convenor for UNISON Scotland and chair of Green Network, describes his own experience of how the green commitment of trade union members can have an incredible influence and Rob Nicolson, one of UNISON's growing band of green reps, discusses his role for the NHS Glasgow Clyde and CVS branch.



PICK OF THE MEDIA

30/09/21 edinburghnews.scotsman.com

Edinburgh health chair steps in amid concern over engagement and consultation over care homes.

27/09/21 tfn.scot

"We greatly appreciate the leadership ENABLE Scotland has consistently shown in the campaign for better pay for social care workers", John Mooney, UNISON Scotland.

24/09/21 theguardian.com

Corporate executives at XPO paid \$6.4m in bonuses in 2020, while warehouse staff in Swindon and Bellshill had to battle through Covid outbreaks.

24/09/21 fes.de

The Road Towards a Carbon Free Society.

23/09/21 theguardian.com

If the UK's energy suppliers were publicly owned, would we be having this crisis?

23/09/21 glasgowtimes.co.uk

UNISON and Unite call on Scottish Government to give struggling Glasgow venues more cash.

21/09/21 theguardian.com

Ministers urged to stop 'hiding from scrutiny' by blocking Fol requests.

UK Parliament Early Day Motions: Life and work of Tam Waterson, UNISON activist in the NHS

There for You impact report: A colourful, engaging report setting out how much of a positive difference UNISON's charity for members has made this year.



Financial wellbeing for UNISON members

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