

# Work in the AMBULANCE SERVICE ENGLAND ONLY

**November 2014/11** 

## GMB MEMBERS SET FOR 2<sup>ND</sup> WAVE OF STRIKE ACTION & ACTION SHORT OF A STRIKE

### WHAT GMB MEMBERS SAY

GMB Members in the NHS voted and took part in strike action in October 2014 and are now set to take a second wave of strike action, beginning week commencing Monday 24<sup>th</sup> November and this will be followed by seven days of action short of a strike. Full details are listed below.

### **AMBULANCE STRIKE ACTION**

On Monday 24<sup>th</sup> November, GMB is asking members to take strike action from 7am to 11am. That means you stop work and join a picket line between the hours of 7am - 11am only.

If you are at work on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> November, GMB asks you to come out and join a picket line and stand in solidarity with union members taking action. If your scheduled shift on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> November is later, please consider turning up early or later to join union members on a picket line. Help get the message out to all NHS staff. NHS pay is being attacked, let's stand together and fight back.

### AMBULANCE ACTION SHORT OF STRIKE

Once Monday's strike action concludes at 11am, GMB is asking all members to take part in Action short of strike (ASOS) from 11.01am on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> November until Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> November midnight. This will consist of a ban on all planned voluntary overtime in the ambulance service.

GMB is asking all members in the ambulance service not to do any planned overtime for seven days from 11.01am on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> November, Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> November, Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> November, Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> November, Friday 28<sup>th</sup> November, Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> November and up to 23.59 hours on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> November. If you are asked to cover a shift, or come in on your day off, or take on additional overtime which is voluntary or is planned, GMB is asking you not to do this.

7 days of action & action short of a strike across the Ambulance Service are from Monday 24 November – Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> November

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#### **WHAT NOW?**

GMB NHS Reps, will shortly be calling you to a meeting to discuss the strike action and action short of strike being planned for week commencing Monday November. Please ensure you attend these meetings. The general feedback from Octobers' NHS strike action was the ambulance service members wanted to see escalation on future actions. Email nhs@gmb.org.uk setting out your views on future action - your union wants to hear from you. If you know a colleague that is not in a union, hand them this newsletter as it's time they joined. Don't have a union rep in your workplace? Email

Join online at www.gmb.org.uk/join



### ALL NHS WORKERS CAN GET INVOLVED

Joining the GMB is easy, quick and fast. You or your colleagues can join via one of the following methods:

- 1. Online at <a href="https://www.gmb.org.uk/join">www.gmb.org.uk/join</a>
- Complete the GMB application form and post to Freepost RSTX-CZTR-LCJL, GMB NHS Sector, 22-24 Worple Road, London SW19 4DD
- 3. Ring 020 8971 4268 and ask for the GMB NHS Sector.
- 4. Email <a href="mailto:nhs@gmb.org.uk">nhs@gmb.org.uk</a> asking for a membership form.
- Ask the GMB to visit your workplace and work colleagues. email <a href="mailto:nhs@gmb.org.uk">nhs@gmb.org.uk</a> and arrangements can be made to have a face to face meeting.

### LET'S STICK TOGETHER AND RETAIN OUR HARD FOUGHT TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Ensure your membership details are correct by registering with GMB online: https://www.gmb.org.uk/login

#### Why Join GMB?

GMB is Britain's fastest growing trade union. GMB is a campaigning trade union; its job is to get the best deal for GMB members at work and is committed to building a strong organisation in every GMB workplace and to help make every workplace safer. Whoever you are, wherever you work, joining GMB is the right decision.

### **GMB Membership Subscriptions:**

1<sup>st</sup> October 2014 rates for GMB membership will be as follows. Full time- Grade 1 = £2.80 per week (£12.14 per month)

Part time - Grade 2 = £1.65 per week (£7.15 per month)

### WHAT IS HAPPENING IN NHS ENGLAND?

For the first time in the history of the Independent Pay Review Body (PRB), the Government has chosen to ignore its recommendation of 1% for all staff. The Secretary of State for Health has deliberately ignored the recommendations and made a decision not to give a universal pay uplift to all NHS Staff.

### GMB MEMBERS HAVE RESPONDED AND VOTED FOR A DOUBLE

### **YES-YES**

### FOR STRIKE ACTION AND ACTION SHORT OF A STRIKE.



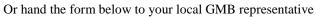




### WHERE DO I SEND MY COMPLETED FORM?

Just fill in parts 1, 2 and 3 or 4 below and post it to:

Freepost RSTX-CZTR-LCJL GMB NHS Sector 22-24 Worple Road London SW19 4DD





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