

FIGHTING FOR OUR NHS

“The crisis in the health service has been created by politicians who want to privatise it - when public opinion, and the evidence, point in the opposite direction.”

Professor Stephen Hawking (August 2017)

Since 2010 the budget for Our NHS has barely increased, even while population and costs have risen sharply. 8,000 front line beds and over 20% of mental health beds have been closed. There are 100,000 vacant posts for health professionals.

Over 300,000 people waited longer than four hours in A & E. 55,000 operations were cancelled in January. Waiting times are being increased to a minimum of 3 months for elective operations – and cancer and other vital targets have not been met.

The present weak and wobbly government has stood firm on one thing – resisting calls for proper funding of the NHS, while handing more contracts to private profiteers.



Fighting back against this, our emerging movement is achieving definite successes. Our demonstrations organised with the People's Assembly (on February 3 this year and March 4 last year) have been huge and uplifting, and these, along with a Judicial Review and splits in the government ranks, have forced Jeremy Hunt to row back on one of his privatising measures, Accountable Care Organisations, at least for the time being.

Let's be honest – health workers are holding Our NHS together.

Across the country, thousands of people – patients, families, trade unions, many others – are saying THANK YOU to all the health workers.

That's why to mark the 70th birthday of the NHS we will be combining a demonstration and a celebration of our NHS in London on June 30. We hope you will join us.

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- help broaden the fight

for OUR NHS

Health Campaigns Together is an alliance with no big money backers: it needs funds to organise events, publicise them, tell people who we are, and publish a newspaper showcasing our supporters and the issues they are campaigning on. So we ask organisations who support our aims to make a financial contribution.

We welcome support from

- trade union organisations - at national, regional or local level
- campaigns opposing NHS cuts, privatisation and PFI
- pressure groups defending specific services and the NHS
- pensioners' organisations
- political parties - national, regional or local
- and any organised group wanting to defend the NHS.

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