

# Seton Medical Center and Seton Coastside **BARGAINING UPDATE**

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## **WE'RE MAKING MORE PROGRESS – BUT MANAGEMENT IS SLOW TO MOVE**

Our NUHW negotiating committee met with BlueMountain-Seton management for the sixth time on Tuesday, September 6.

We settled five more articles, totaling seventeen tentative agreements to date.

Despite our progress, management failed to present a full economic proposal and instead proposed to change health plans. While many out-of-pocket costs would remain the same as the current basic HMO plan, the new basic plan, Verity EPO, would require employees to go to Verity hospitals if they live within a thirty-five mile radius of those hospitals.

We're waiting for additional information from management on the proposed health plans to better negotiate them. We also made it clear to management that it would be difficult to negotiate health plan benefits without knowing and understanding their full economic proposal.

We have five more dates scheduled for bargaining:

**Thursday, September 15**

**Wednesday, September 28**

**Friday, September 23**

**Thursday, October 6**

**Wednesday, October 12**

As always, we encourage you to attend negotiations if your schedule allows.

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