Why we’re Striking

We are nearly 600 caregivers striking for the first time to make Providence Tarzana a better hospital.

Putting profits ahead of patient care, Providence Tarzana this year began sending some of us home in the middle of our shifts to boost its bottom line.

Other times, we’ve been told not to come into work at all, leaving nursing assistants to sometimes have to care for up to 30 patients at once.

Providence Tarzana’s penny-pinching policy is bad for patients — and caregivers. Now, we can’t be sure if we will really get to work the full-time hours we need to support our families. And we are having more trouble attracting and retaining quality caregivers.

We’re holding a one-day Unfair Labor Practice strike to protest management threatening and retaliating against us for our union activity — standing up for better patient care, better wages and better working conditions

But Providence Tarzana is still playing hardball.

It’s threatening to retaliate by locking us out of our jobs for the next four days. That is an extreme anti-worker response that would leave patients in the care of untested temporary workers, who likely won’t know their way around the hospital.

This is our first strike. We’re only doing it because hospital management has given us no hope for a deal that respects our dignity and improves patient care.

PLEASE STAND WITH US!

Contact Providence CEO Dale Surowitz at (818) 427-5886 or email at dale.surowitz@providence.org and tell him you stand with workers.

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