Last February, NUHW member Carmen Melchor was fired after 14 years of service at Kindred Hospital Brea. She reached out to NUHW for assistance. Carmen’s NUHW organizers investigated the facts helped her file a grievance. An initial meeting with Kindred’s legal counsel was not encouraging, so we moved the grievance to arbitration and stewards focused on collecting signatures to protest the harsh discipline. Our collective efforts have paid off. The Union, Carmen and the Employer agreed to a fair settlement of the grievance. Congratulations, all! Your petition was a sign of strength and solidarity that gave us significant leverage in this process.

KINDRED WESTMINSTER
As of August 11, members at Kindred Westminster are being paid at the new rate for every hour worked. The increase is expected to be reflected in our August 30 paycheck. If it isn’t, the company is required to make a retroactive payment for all hours worked after August 11. Increases depend on years of service.

KINDRED BREA
Members at Kindred Brea saw the annual wage increase reflected in our August 6 paycheck. Please verify you received your increase.

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As of August 4, members at Kindred San Diego are being paid at the new rate for every hour worked. The increase is expected to be reflected in our August 23 paycheck. If it isn’t, the company is required to make a retroactive payment for all hours worked after August 4. Increases depend on years of service. See Article 12 and Appendix A of your union contract for details.

QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS? CONTACT YOUR SHOP STEWARD.

PROGRESSIVE DISCIPLINE ABOVE ALL!
by Kimmy Miclat, LVN
Kindred San Diego

Last April, management decided to terminate my job at Kindred San Diego. I contacted my union rep for assistance. The evidence showed that the progressive discipline rules had not been followed. We filed a grievance and Kindred’s legal council agreed to reinstate my employment immediately. I am very happy with the representation and the job protection offered by our union contract.”
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**WEINGARTEN RIGHTS**

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**KINDRED WESTMINSTER CONTRACT UPDATE**

After a long wait, our contract has been signed by all parties (Kindred management, your bargaining team, and NUHW leadership) and was sent to the print shop. Copies will be distributed to all members very soon!