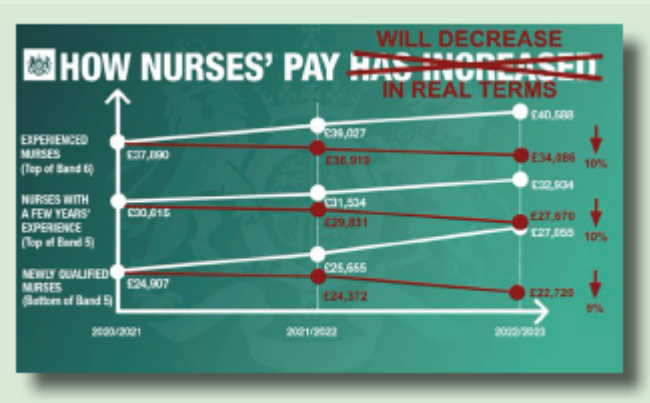


Patients are not dying because nurses are striking.

Nurses are striking because patients are dying.

There is chronic understaffing in the NHS and over 130,000 unfilled posts in secondary care alone. Pay and conditions and levels of stress deter new staff from training and forces existing staff to leave.



**All NHS staff
have seen cuts
in the real value
of their wages –
some nurses are
up to 20% worse
off than in 2010.**

Privatisation especially the hated Private Finance Initiative schemes have meant that the NHS has lost 25,000 beds in the last 20 years, but the population has grown. Privatisation has fragmented all NHS services. The new Integrated Care Boards will introduce a US- style system of private health.

Social care is almost completely privatised and its cost and fail- ures increase the work of hospitals.

In 2022 the NHS faces a cut in real terms of between £4billion and £9.4billion.

Many general district hospitals have closed which limits local services for A&E, maternity and children. Nationally nearly 500 sur- geries have closed since 2013, and they are increasingly privatised. The number of GPs is falling while patient numbers rise making the workload for GPs unsustainable.

A Victory for NHS Staff is a Victory for Us All!

The last 30 to 40 years have seen the planned destruction of the NHS. The aim has been to allow private health consortia, many of them based in the US, to profiteer from public monies.

FROM HERO TO ZERO

The government is still twiddling its thumbs. One minute they tell you that NHS staff are heroes, but as soon as the workers want decent pay and conditions they accuse them of being irresponsible.



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