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Protect our NHS

Unite is opposed to the Health and Care Bill. Health and care workers in England have huge concerns about its impact on services, accountability, funding, professional standards, privatisation, safety, and terms and conditions.

The Covid-19 pandemic has been one of the biggest crises that the NHS has faced, made worse by 10 years of underfunding, understaffing and privatisation that has left the service in a critical condition. Staff morale is at an all-time low and yet the government is intent on forcing through a Bill that will make all this worse and lead to further privatisation.

The Bill:

• Breaks our NHS in England into 42 different Integrated Care Systems (ICSs) run independently by boards.
• Removes social care accountability from your local authority.
• Will lead to a postcode lottery with boards providing different services in each area.
• Allows boards to operate like commercial entities maximising budgets over care.
• Allows profits through the denial of care, along the lines of the American health insurance industry.
• Allows private sector participation in Integrated Care Partnerships (ICPs), with no public oversight.
• Deregulates clinical professions, making it harder to see fully trained staff
• Does not deal with the huge staff shortages or shortfall in funding for social care.
• Allows vulnerable patients to be discharged from hospital before their care needs are assessed.
• Will lead to cuts in provision disproportionately impacting on the most vulnerable in society.

The government is refusing to make the NHS the default provider of healthcare services and instead is consulting private companies in America and the UK on what to charge for operations.

We have limited time left to save our NHS

Take action now – ensure your MP votes to oppose this Bill

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