Bargaining Resumes This Week

Bargaining Update – March 13, 2018

Today our Bargaining Team met with Kaiser Permanente for the first of three scheduled bargaining sessions this week that will determine whether we can reach a fair contract for nurses. The additional negotiating sessions come on the heels of RNs/NPs voting to authorize our Bargaining Team to call a strike if necessary.

We began today’s session by reviewing our top priorities and reminding Kaiser that we are committed to securing a contract that improves patient care, protects nurses’ working conditions, resolves the dispute over Patient Care Coordinators, and maintains equal pay for equal work for current and future nurses. The parties decided to spend the remainder of the day discussing staffing enhancements and other components that would be necessary for any successful transition to a new patient classification system. We will continue examining these topics tomorrow in an effort to narrow and resolve differences.