Additional Bargaining Scheduled
Following our notification to Providence of our three near-unanimous strike authorization votes, Providence and ONA have scheduled a bargaining session for all three units that have authorized a strike: PPMC, Providence Seaside Hospital, and Providence Home Health and Hospice. Bargaining will occur on Wednesday, June 7, and we’ll of course keep folks updated following the session. We are also scheduled to bargain on June 13 at PSH, but this week’s 3-way bargaining session is the company’s best chance to avoid an unprecedented strike of 1800 nurses and clinicians.

Additional Unfair Labor Practices
Seaside nurses continue to report manager interference in their effort to communicate with each other about union business while at work. It’s unfortunate that supervisors are empowered to violate federal labor law, but our bargaining committee remains focused on negotiating a strong contract to address the company’s recruitment and retention crisis on the North Coast – and to prepare to strike if necessary. The company’s lack of investment in patient care has persisted for too long. Seaside nurses and their patients deserve better, not second best!

Strike Preparation Zoom Sessions
If we don’t get to a deal, then our bargaining team will host several Zoom meetings this week and next week for nurses to ask lingering strike questions, discuss handoff at the start of a potential strike, and review the state of negotiations. Please RSVP for a Zoom session as soon as possible: https://forms.gle/P8Y3fpKK8TJk41yj8

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