

Social Work Watch

Your chance to show the reality of social work today



UNISON is teaming up with Community Care, the leading social care publisher, to shine a light on a typical working day in social work. We want to highlight the challenges and pressures you face – and celebrate the value and importance of the work you do.

If you work in a social work team put Wednesday 21 September in your diary now. We will be asking you to fill in a survey telling us about what you did on that day. How many hours did you work? What kind of work did you do? How did your work make a difference to the lives of service users? And what impact did the day have on your own mental well-being?

All responses will be anonymous – you will not be identified. We will bring the findings to the public and policy makers to promote greater understanding of social work and step up the push for change. As an added incentive, those who complete the survey on or soon after 21 September will be able to enter a Community Care prize draw to win a free iPad Mini.

- To pre-register and get a survey reminder sent to you on the day, email socialwork@unison.co.uk with the words 'Social Work Watch reminder' in the subject.
- Put the 21st of September in your diary. During the day, you may want to keep brief notes of your key activities and experiences. Then at the end of the day, or very soon after, go to www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/SocialWorkWatch2016 and complete the survey.
- Tell your colleagues – we want mass participation in the second ever Social Work Watch!
- Look out for the results – they'll be publicised in the autumn along with ways for you to get involved in the campaign.
- Follow us on twitter [#SocialWorkWatch](https://twitter.com/SocialWorkWatch)
- Don't forget to tell your colleagues to join UNISON at unison.org.uk/join

**Thanks for your help with
Social Work Watch!**

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