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## Get active and campaigning in UNISON



UNISON has a proud campaigning history and there's never been a more important time for our student members to help us continue that tradition.

Our public services, and your future jobs are being targeted by Cameron and Clegg. They seem determined to make public service workers and service users pay the price of the global recession caused by the bankers.

UNISON believes that cutting back public service spending and putting our services in the hands of private companies through more privatisation puts all our communities at risk. We will not sit back while societies are ripped apart and the vulnerable are tossed aside to pay for the greed of the bankers.

Every part of UNISON, including our student

members, has a part to play. Politicians must be made to understand that UNISON members will not stand by while their policies damage our communities.

Your future is at stake – we need to take action to ensure that when you graduate there are public services that enable you to save, protect and enrich lives. Public services that are there for you when you need them.

# Getting involved is easy

UNISON is always campaigning so there is always something you can do.

## Our NHS Our Future

The NHS that we know and love is under threat. We must ensure that the NHS continues to be a public service that gives us quality services that are local, easy to access and free when we need them.

The NHS is under pressure. Trusts are being forced into a programme of cost savings and structural upheaval. Many trusts are looking to fund savings by cutting your pay and introducing worse terms and conditions.

UNISON will not stand by and let national pay agreements be torn up and replaced by locally negotiated terms and conditions because this is bad for the NHS, bad for patients and bad for staff.

The union is willing to talk to these trusts to

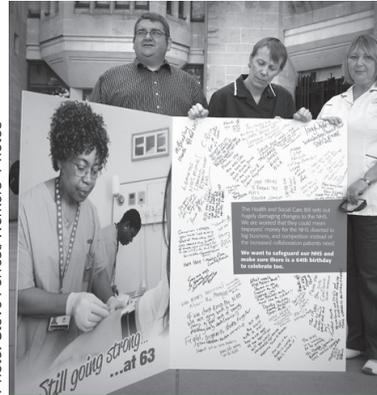
help them deal with the financial pressures in a way that doesn't threaten quality of care, but we will not stand by and let trusts rip up our nationally negotiated terms and conditions. If we don't fight this, individual employers could use local negotiations to drive down terms and conditions and create a postcode pay lottery. NHS staff and their patients deserve better.

## Student debt

UNISON has been at the forefront of the campaign on student tuition fees. We believe that the serious levels of debt students face acts as a massive deterrent to students from less well off backgrounds wishing to go on to higher education.

So, what are you waiting for? Get involved and make a difference.

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## What you can do to start campaigning

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