

A MESSAGE TO THE PUBLIC FROM BMA JUNIOR DOCTORS IN LONDON

DEMONSTRATION ON THE 26TH APRIL

DOCTORS, TEACHERS, NHS WORKERS AND PUBLIC STANDING TOGETHER

As a member of the BMA Junior Doctors Committee and rally co-organiser I write to invite all interested public, workers and fellow trade-unionists to attend our London rally at the end of our strike action this coming Tuesday.

Junior Doctors in England will be escalating their strike action to a full withdrawal of labour; between 8am and 5pm on Tuesday 26th April and Wednesday 27th April. Other senior doctors and staff will continue to provide safe care for patients during this time.

At 5pm on Tuesday 26th we will march from St Thomas' Hospital, proceeding across Westminster Bridge to the Dept of Health. We shall hold a mass rally at 6pm outside the Department of Health (opposite Downing St). The NHS students of "Bursary or Bust", who have stood by us through thick and thin, will be with us.

We are especially honoured to be joined by the National Union of Teachers in calling this demonstration. Their solidarity for us will never be forgotten, and shall be reciprocated in kind.

This Government is attempting to impose a contract upon the medical profession which would effectively signal the destruction of safe terms and conditions throughout the NHS. The same government is at this moment preparing to escalate its insidious attacks on the working conditions of teachers, health workers and other public sector workers.

It is clear that this Government is intent on ripping apart the social fabric which binds this country together.

We 50,000 junior doctors, and we 1 million NHS workers, will not let them get away with it.

Stand with us.

Let's make this an historic moment. Please share this message to your networks.

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