

# NEWSBULLETIN

## RESPECT US Campaign /HILLCREST Protest/ March 23 RALLY

### **Workers at Hillcrest hospital site of the University Health Network - paid \$16.50 an hour - Rally for Respect**

Hospital workers, CUPE Ontario and the Coalition of Black Trade Unionists rallied Mar. 13 at Hillcrest site of the University Health Network demanding that the staff there be treated as UHN employees.

Hillcrest cares for patients discharged from the UHN, still acutely ill. An ad campaign begins soon to support these workers. *Local president Niki Gur speaks at car rally below.*



### **175,000 participate in *Respect Us! Protect Us! Pay Us!* campaign events Mar. 8**

175,000 Ontario health care workers represented by CUPE, SEIU and Unifor held sticker days and outdoor protests at hospitals and long term care facilities across Ontario to mark International Women’s Day on March 8.

The protests are in support of demands for \$4.00 an hour for all health care workers and for the protective equipment and paid sick leave that our members need.

Future protests are scheduled for March 23 at Queen’s Park, before budget day and March 25 at the Pickering office of the Finance Minister ( see page 2).



# Protest at Queen's Park on March 23

## Regional Conferences for Registered Practical Nurses April 6-14

OCHU-CUPE's RPN Committee will hold RPN mini conferences on zoom. Delegates will hear from the College of Nurses of Ontario and from WeRPN. There will be a discussion about the bargaining goals for RPNs including wages, workloads and other issues. There will be discussions about malpractice and insurance and about the issues on which they want the union to campaign.

If you would like to attend please contact your local union. You can also contact: [admin@ochu.on.ca](mailto:admin@ochu.on.ca)

Southwest: April 12

Hamilton: April 6

GTA: April 7

Central: April 8

Eastern: April 9

Northeast: April 13

Northwest: April 14

The Respect Us campaign continues with a car rally sponsored by CUPE, SEIU and Unifor at the **Ontario Legislature at 11 a.m. on Mar. 23**. The rally is timed for the day before the provincial budget to put pressure on the government for \$4.00 an hour for all health care workers and for the protective equipment and paid sick leave that our members need.

There will also be a car rally **Mar. 25 at the office of Finance Minister Peter Bethlenfalvy** at 1550 Kingston Rd #213, Pickering.

