

ALBERTA UNION OF PROVINCIAL EMPLOYEES

# BARGAINING UPDATE

APRIL 30, 2021

## ALBERTA HEALTH SERVICES (AHS)

### GENERAL SUPPORT SERVICES

LOCALS: 054, 056, 057, 058, 095  
& Lamont Health Care Centre GSS

## AHS TO KILL JOBS IN LAUNDRY, FOOD RETAIL, AND PROTECTIVE SERVICES

On April 27, AHS announced K-Bro Linen Systems had been selected to take over all remaining in-house AHS laundry services. This privatization scheme will kill 428 of our jobs across the province.

AUPE also received letters from AHS with news that AHS is considering contracting out remaining ancillary retail food services as well as protective services “optimization.” AHS says contracting out retail food services would axe 237 jobs across nine sites. 34 protective services jobs would be contracted out while 6 would be axed through attrition.

This is devastating news for AHS GSS members and all Albertans. Privatization rips jobs away from our communities and compromises the quality of care Albertans receive. For Premier Kenney and Health Minister Shandro to enact this job-killing scheme in the middle of a pandemic is unconscionable.

Your negotiating team is here to support you, and we are preparing to launch several initiatives to fight back, get AUPE members involved, and show Albertans how much our jobs matter to the services they depend on.

### Sign AUPE’s petition calling for Tyler Shandro to resign

Join the fight against the UCP government’s health care privatization scheme. Sign AUPE’s petition to demand Health Minister Tyler Shandro resign!

Someone who puts health care heroes out of work during a pandemic is not fit to be our Health Minister. But Shandro’s recklessness doesn’t stop there: he has also attacked Alberta doctors, ripping up their contract, breaking their trust, and even yelling at one of them in their driveway.

This petition is just the latest way to show your solidarity and stand up for AHS GSS jobs. Be on the lookout for more opportunities to fight back coming soon, including car rallies, social media and video campaigns. Until then, be sure to sign the petition!

### Create a MyAUPE account for AHS GSS news and updates

Create your own personal MyAUPE account on [www.aupe.org](http://www.aupe.org) to make sure you receive all AHS GSS bargaining news and important union updates. You will also need a MyAUPE account to participate in this year’s annual general meetings and elections, so be sure to sign up to get more involved in our union!

Please talk to your negotiating team members or AUPE resource staff if you have any questions. Contact your Local’s negotiating representatives to see how you can get involved and make sure you and your co-workers are informed. We are here to support you.



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