Ontario Nurses' Association Media Scan Summary

August 12 to 16, 2024

Nursing coverage:

"I loved going to work when I first started. Now I dread it:" new study on Ontario's hospital workers' deteriorating morale to be released on Monday at Queen's Park CEO, August 9, 2024

A new peer-reviewed study warns that Ontario's predominantly female hospital workers are in deep turmoil as they labour through an intensifying staffing crisis that is harming their well-being and compromising patient care

Travel-nurse company turned my life upside down, health worker says CBC News, August 12, 2024

Youeen Siviniant has filed employment standards complaint against Canadian Health Labs over unpaid salary

Health care job burnout worse than ever, ex-Sarnia researcher argues Norfolk & Tillsonburg News, August 12, 2024

Job burnout among Ontario health care workers is worse than ever, says a former Sarnia researcher involved in a new study of the issue

New study to show hospital workers are 'in deep turmoil'

Bay Today, August 9, 2024

'Workers labour through an intensifying staffing crisis that is harming their well-being and compromising patient care'

Nurses say they 'dread' going to work in Ontario hospitals Elliot Lake Today, August 14, 2024 CUPE unveils study titled 'Running on Empty' that highlights staffing crisis in Ontario hospitals

New study reveals more stress on Ontario nurses

Bay Today, August 14, 2024

<u>'I have to say it was the most shocking research in 40 years that I've done, which was listening to the healthcare workers current situation</u>

Study reveals dire situation in Ontario's health-care sector

CTV News, August 13, 2024

From nurses to PSWs, housekeepers and clerical staff, officials said workers who participated in the study feel unsupported, overworked and disrespected

Gélinas: "Nurses Deserve Better" — A Call for Nurses-to-Patients Ratios to help Fix Ontario's Healthcare Crisis

Ontario NDP, August 13, 2024

France Gélinas, Ontario NDP's Official Opposition Health Critic, is standing in solidarity with OCHU and CUPE after their recent report exposed the deplorable working conditions and abuse healthcare workers endure across Ontario

Running on Empty: Nurses 'dread' going to work in Ontario hospitals Newmarket Today, August 15, 2024

Peer-reviewed study study highlights the staffing crisis in hospitals through interviews with CUPE hospital workers, including nurses, personal support workers, clerical staff

P.E.I. officials hope new nursing powers will help boost recruitment, improve access to care

CBC News, August 14, 2024 New rules allow registered nurses to prescribe medication to patients

INSIDE THE VILLAGE: Why nurses 'dread' going to work at Ontario hospitals Village Report, August 15, 2024

A new study reveals just how brutal it is to be a hospital worker in Ontario right now and whether anything can be done to help ease a staffing crisis that keeps getting worse

Industry coverage:

Another 3 emergency departments temporarily closed in BC Interior Kelowna Now, August 12, 2024

Three more emergency departments in the BC Interior have been forced to temporarily shut down due to staff shortages

Aug. 12 Niagara letters: A health-care story that should alarm all

The Standard, August 12, 2024

Len King's fate awaits many seniors in Ontario unless the province changes direction, says reader

These 17 cancers are on the rise in younger generations

CBC News, August 10, 2024 Some cancers increasing in millennials, Gen-Xers, U.S. study suggests, with over half linked to obesity

Having trouble reaching 10,000 steps a day? You might not need that many, anyway CBC News, August 11, 2024

Researchers are questioning the validity of the daily movement goal

Brett Belchetz: The Canadian Medical Association is the real threat to health-care access National Post, August 12, 2024

A draft policy by the CMA essentially calls for an end to private workplace coverage for virtual health care

Global cancer deaths among men projected to increase by 93% by 2050, study finds CTV News, August 12, 2024

<u>Cancer cases and deaths among men are expected to surge by 2050, according to a study</u> <u>published Monday, with large increases among men age 65 and older</u>

'Crisis': Bradford boosting calls for more medical funding

Innisfil Today, August 11, 2024

<u>'It's a shortage and we're going to go (to AMO) and fight for Bradford West Gwillimbury</u> and for Ontario in general. We're going to fight for doctors,' vowed mayor

Opinion: We've known how to prevent these early deaths for 30 years. So why don't we act?

Toronto Star, August 13, 2024

https://www.thestar.com/opinion/contributors/weve-known-how-to-prevent-theseearly-deaths-for-30-years-so-why-dont-we/article_18950dde-58b3-11ef-86c5fb89c99ff42c.html

Another case reported in legionnaires' disease outbreak as MLHU works to confirm source

CBC News, August 12, 2024 https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/london/another-case-reported-in-legionnairesdisease-outbreak-as-mlhu-works-to-confirm-source-1.7292747

Dozens of pregnant women, some bleeding or in labor, are turned away from ERs despite federal law

Toronto Star, August 12, 2024

https://www.thestar.com/news/world/united-states/dozens-of-pregnant-women-somebleeding-or-in-labor-are-turned-away-from-ers-despite/article_71078e2a-7d56-50f4a7b0-97bc8630db37.html

3rd person dies in Listeria outbreak in plant-based milks

The Canadian Press, August 12, 2024 https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/toronto/third-person-dies-listeria-outbreak-plantbased-milks-1.7292656

Growing mpox 'crisis' prompts Africa CDC to declare first-ever public health emergency CBC News, August 13, 2024

African health officials call for 10 million vaccine doses, a day before international committee set to meet

Toronto seeing recent surge in mpox cases: TPH City News, August 13, 2024 Toronto is seeing a spike in mpox cases as the city's public health unit advised eligible residents to consider getting vaccinated

Mpox vaccines likely months away even as WHO discusses emergency CTV News, August 14, 2024

Vaccines to help curb an escalating mpox outbreak in Democratic Republic of Congo and neighbouring countries may still not reach the central African country for months

WHO names mpox a global health emergency for 2nd time as virus surges in Africa CBC News, August 14, 2024

<u>Major concern is newer strain of virus which may spread easier and cause more severe</u> <u>disease</u>

Canada must respond to mpox crisis in Africa to prevent spread here, experts say CP24, August 14, 2024

The World Health Organization's declaration of mpox as a global public health emergency means Canada must do its part to help stem outbreaks of the virus in Africa, experts say.

Canada's response to mpox being declared global health emergency City News, August 15, 2024

The current risk of mpox in this country remains low, but experts say Canada needs to do its part to help stem the outbreak in Africa

'Disgraceful': Ford's political rivals lash out after he jokes about hospital overcrowding CP24, August 14, 2024

Ford quipped that overflow patients can attend the animal hospital for their MRIs and CT scans

'Descent into hell': Quebecer with long COVID requests MAID over lack of home support National Post, August 14, 2024

<u>The 44-year-old father's life was turned upside down when he contracted COVID in 2020,</u> <u>just days after starting a job at a long-term care home</u>

Canada's wildfires: What you can do to protect your health

Healthing, August 14, 2024

With wildfires burning across the country, it's vital to know what you can do to limit your risk of developing chronic health disorders or ill health effects because of smoke inhalation.

Fixing Canada: Why money alone won't solve the health-care crisis

City News, August 15, 2024 Many health care workers have said the system may soon be pushed past the point of repair – or already has been

Is the GNWT trying to privatize healthcare?

NNSL, August 15, 2024

<u>One of the biggest issues our healthcare system is facing right now is understaffing. It's no</u> secret, and it's not a problem unique to the NWT

Labour coverage:

Racialized workers less likely to be unionized: report

Toronto Star, August 13, 2024

https://www.thestar.com/business/racialized-workers-less-likely-to-be-unionizedreport/article_81c0f3e1-b970-548a-a1b7-e4cceb975e67.html

During a tense summer in politics, RCMP union calls for Mounties to police Parliament Hill again

CBC News, August 13, 2024 https://www.cbc.ca/news/politics/rcmp-union-parliament-hill-safety-1.7292144

Rail strike looms for Canada, but why hasn't a deal been reached? The Canadian Press, August 12, 2024 https://globalnews.ca/news/10694875/canada-rail-strike-contract-negotiations/

Air Canada pilots prepare for strike amid ongoing labour dispute CBC News, August 13, 2024 'Some of my American counterparts are making twice as much,' says pilot union leader

Human rights and equity coverage:

How AI can help Indigenous language revitalization, and why data sovereignty is important CBC News, August 12, 2024 <u>'It's just going to be like a pencil,' says one AI language camp co-ordinator</u>

New 20-bed emergency shelter for women set to open in Cambridge this fall CBC News, August 13, 2024 https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/kitchener-waterloo/cambridge-women-emergencyshelter-homeless-1.7292460

Michel Band society looks for scattered descendants as it pushes to re-establish First Nation

CBC News, August 13, 2024 ''When we lost the band, we lost everything,' says Michel descendant Brandy Callihoo

Advocates hopeful new Inuinnaqtun dictionary app can help revitalize the language CBC News, August 14, 2024

The app, which includes thousands of words and phrases, is available on Apple and Android devices

French prosecutors investigate gender-based cyber harassment of Algerian Olympic champ Imane Khelif

CTV News, August 14, 2024

<u>French prosecutors opened an investigation into an online harassment complaint made by</u> <u>Olympic boxing champion Imane Khelif after a rain of criticism and false claims about her</u> <u>sex during the Summer Games, the Paris prosecutor's office said Monday</u>

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Political coverage:

Trudeau government's controversial choice to head human rights commission steps down Toronto Star, August 12, 2024

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6 First Nations challenge Ontario's Mining Act, a month after similar legal action by Grassy Narrows

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Industry fears 'catastrophe,' economic fallout ahead of potential rail stoppage CBC News, August 14, 2024

Talks between railway companies and Teamsters union have deadlocked