

**Ontario Nurses' Association
Weekly Media Scan & Media Release Summary**

October 30 to November 10, 2023

ONA coverage:

Health unions bring anti-privatization campaign to St. Joseph's Hospital

TB Newswatch, October 27, 2023

[Health unions bring anti-privatization campaign to St. Joseph's Hospital - TBNewsWatch.com](#)

Meet The Heroes; Firefighters lead the way in life-saving baby evacuation operation

The Ottawa Sun, October 30, 2023

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Cyberattack that hit five area hospitals part of extortion scheme, sources say

Stratford Beacon Herald, October 28, 2023

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Investigation ongoing, but no firm timeline for restoration, in cyberattack affecting 5 hospitals

CBC News, October 27, 2023

[Investigation ongoing, but no firm timeline for restoration, in cyberattack affecting 5 hospitals | CBC News](#)

Babies moved from General campus ICU, ER still closed day after transformer fire

CBC News, October 28, 2023

[Babies moved from General campus ICU, ER still closed day after transformer fire | CBC News](#)

"Nurses Talk Truth" in New Campaign Calling Out Ford Government

Masthead, October 30, 2023

[About Us : Masthead Online - Headline News, Careers and Reference for the Canadian Magazine Industry](#)

Pension or pay raise: do employers know what their employees want?

Canoe.com, October 30, 2023

[Pension or pay raise: do employers know what their employees want? | Canoe.Com](#)

NDP Health Critic tabling five point bill			
Program: News	Air Time: 12:00 PM - 13:00 PM	Date: 2023-Oct-31 12:06 PM	
Station: CablePulse24 (CP24)	Network: Bell Media Television	City: Toronto	
Reporter: Announcer Copy	Length: 01:00	Province: Ontario	
Interview:	France Gélinas, NDP Health Critic [clip]; Erin Ariss, President of Ontario Nurses' Association [clip]		
Note:	NDP Health Critic France Gélinas is tabling a five point bill to end the policy of using public money to pay for private nursing agencies in Ontario hospitals. It would make any staffing agency making over \$400,000 they will be covered by the Auditor General, Integrity Commissioner, Patients Ombudsman, Ontario Ombudsman and Sunshine List. Ontario Nurses' Association President Erin Ariss says 1,2 million hours of agency nurses has been recorded in 2022 alone at a cost of \$174 million to Ontario taxpayers.		

SW Ontario hospitals confirm patient data compromised in cyberattack

Windsor Star, October 31, 2023

[SW Ontario hospitals confirm patient data compromised in cyberattack | Windsor Star](#)

Local hospitals confirm patient data compromised; Officials fear information stolen in cyberattack might be put online

Windsor Star, October 31, 2023

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Un projet de loi déposé pour réduire l'utilisation d'infirmières d'agences en Ontario

Radio Canada, October 31, 2023

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NDP solution would improve care by stopping private nursing agencies' price gouging, staff poaching

Ontario NDP, October 31, 2023

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Ottawa hospital fire: Power restored, ER still closed
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Program:	All in a Day	Air Time:	15:00 PM - 16:00 PM	Date:	2023-Oct-31 15:37 PM
Station:	CBC Radio 1 (Ottawa) - CBO FM	Network:	Canadian Broadcasting Corporation	City:	Ottawa
Reporter:	Joseph Tunney	Length:	1:30	Province:	Ontario
Interview:	Joanne Turcotte, Queensway Carleton Hospital; Cameron Love, Ottawa Hospital CEO; Rachel Muir, Ottawa Hospital Bargaining Unit President, Ontario Nurses Association;				
Note:	The Ottawa Hospital says power has been fully restored to the General Campus after a transformer fire on Friday, but they are still asking people to avoid the campus and the emergency department is still closed. Ontario Nurses' Association Bargaining Unit President of the Ottawa Hospital, Rachel Muir, says the challenge lies in getting patients back to the units they came from.				

'Potential looming' Algoma Public Health cuts leave nurses' union 'deeply concerned'

The Sault Star, Timmins Daily Press, November 2, 2023

[Nurses' union rings alarm over 'potential " Algoma Public Health cuts | Sault Star](#)

Cyberattack compromised patient data, SW Ontario hospitals confirm

Chatham Daily News, November 2, 2023

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Attempted blackmail the reason for cyberattack against hospitals

Strathroy Age Dispatch, November 2, 2023

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Ontario Nurses' Association responds to staffing cut concerns at Algoma Public Health

Pure Country Radio, November 1, 2023

[Ontario Nurses' Association responds to staffing cut concerns at Algoma Public Health \(iheartradio.ca\)](#)

Nurses' association 'deeply concerned' about potential job cuts at Algoma Public Health

SooToday, November 2, 2023

[Nurses' association 'deeply concerned' about potential job cuts at Algoma Public Health - SNNewsWatch.com](#)

No decisions on potential Algoma Public Health layoffs: Dr. Jennifer Loo

Cochrane Times Post, November 2, 2023

[No decisions on Algoma Public Health layoffs: Dr. Jennifer Loo | Cochrane Times-Post \(cochranetimespost.ca\)](#)

Nurses Alarmed at Potential Algoma Public Health Staffing Cuts			
Program: CTV News	Air Time: 17:00 PM - 18:00 PM	Date: 2023-Nov-02 17:05 PM	
Station: CICI TV (MCTV)	Network: Bell Media Television	City: Sudbury	
Reporter: Mike McDonald	Length: 2:30	Province: Ontario	
Interview: Dr. Jennifer Loo, Algoma Public Health;			
Note:	The Ontario Nurses' Association says it is alarmed about potential looming cuts to frontline staffing, which may include nurses and health-care professionals, at Algoma Public Health. The comments follow news that APH's Board of Health plans on recommending a workplace reduction as it faces a projected budget shortfall of \$1.5 million next year.		

Marie McIlwain

SNNewswatch, November 2, 2023

[Marie McIlwain - Obituary - - SNNewsWatch.com](#)

RNs given power to prescribe

Greg Brady Show, Corus Radio, November 8, 2023

<https://pdst.fm/e/traffic.megaphone.fm/CORU3674114606.mp3?updated=1699444596>

Ontario Nurses' Association launches its renewed brand identity, celebrating 50 years with a focus on local activism

Canadian Insider, November 9, 2023

[Ontario Nurses' Association launches its renewed brand identity, celebrating 50 years with a focus on local activism | Canadian Insider](#)

Nursing coverage:

Canada's medical system 'severely damaged' by use of nursing agencies, Gardam warns

CBC News, October 30, 2023

[Canada's medical system 'severely damaged' by use of nursing agencies, Gardam warns \(yahoo.com\)](#)

'Nunavut is scary': Nurses speak out about toxic work environment

Nunatsiaq News, October 30, 2023

['Nunavut is scary': Nurses speak out about toxic work environment | Nunatsiaq News](#)

RNAO demands changes

Ottawa Sun, November 1, 2023

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NDP introduce legislation to end private nursing agencies in Ontario hospitals, long-term care

CBC News, November 1, 2023

[NDP introduce legislation to end private nursing agencies in Ontario hospitals, long-term care | CBC News](#)

Private members bill aimed at limits on hiring agency nurses

Sudbury.com, November 2, 2023

[Private members bill aimed at limits on hiring agency nurses - Sudbury News](#)

The mileage of kindness

Gananonque Reporter, November 3, 2023

[The mileage of kindness | Gananoque Reporter](#)

Nurse burnout and shortages: Attention turns to mental health and skill development programs

Healthing, November 3, 2023

[Nurse burnout and shortages: Attention turns to mental health and skill development programs | Healthing.ca](#)

Canada's nurses call on premiers for bold action to address nurse shortage ahead of health forum

CITY News, November 3, 2023

[Canada's nurses pen open letter to premiers | CityNews Vancouver](#)

Nurses in Ontario will soon be able to prescribe birth control, province announces

CBC News, November 6, 2023

[Nurses in Ontario will soon be able to prescribe birth control, province announces | CBC News](#)

Hey, Quebec, stop guiltig nurses, pay them

Woodstock Sentinel Review, November 7, 2023
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Mobile health clinic, new nurse station operator coming to Pelee Island

CBC News, November 7, 2023

[Mobile health clinic, new nurse station operator coming to Pelee Island | CBC News](#)

Ontario's registered nurses are getting new prescribing powers — and some doctors aren't happy about it

Toronto Star, November 7, 2023

[Ontario nurses to get new powers — to dismay of some doctors \(thestar.com\)](#)

Toronto looks to expand mental health crisis teams

Toronto Star, November 9, 2023

[Toronto looks to expand mental health crisis teams \(thestar.com\)](#)

Huron Perth health unit to cut back staff by 10% in 2024

CBC News, November 8, 2023

[Huron Perth health unit to cut back staff by 10% in 2024 | CBC News](#)

Funding shortfall means staff cuts for Huron Perth public health; Huron Perth public health is cutting staff by 10 per cent and restructuring programs and services

Stratford Beacon Herald, November 9, 2023

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COVID-19 coverage:

Doctors say we need the updated COVID-19 shot. So why haven't we heard more about it?

Toronto Star, October 29, 2023

[Doctors say we need the updated COVID-19 shot. So why haven't we heard more about it? \(thestar.com\)](#)

New evidence confirms COVID-19 vaccines are overwhelmingly safe

The Globe and Mail, October 28, 2023

[New evidence confirms COVID-19 vaccines are overwhelmingly safe - The Globe and Mail](#)

Ontario residents six months or older can now get COVID-19 vaccines and flu shots

The Canadian Press, October 30, 2023

[Ontario residents six months or older can now get COVID-19 vaccines and flu shots \(thestar.com\)](#)

Former Ontario inmates saw higher risk of overdose death as COVID-19 emerged: study

The Canadian Press, October 28, 2023

[Former Ontario inmates saw higher risk of overdose death as COVID-19 emerged: study \(thestar.com\)](#)

Elderly Canadians remain at higher risk of serious COVID from first infections, study suggests

CBC News, October 30, 2023

[Elderly Canadians remain at higher risk of serious COVID from first infections, study suggests | CBC News](#)

COLUMN: Michael Mantha on Northern Ontario seniors' needs

Elliot Lake Today, October 30, 2023

[COLUMN: Michael Mantha on Northern Ontario seniors' needs - Elliot Lake News \(elliottlaketoday.com\)](#)

Boris Johnson's response to COVID-19 was 'mad and dangerous,' top official says

Reuters, October 30, 2023

[Boris Johnson's response to COVID-19 was 'mad and dangerous,' top official says - The Globe and Mail](#)

40% of Canadians don't plan on getting updated COVID booster, flu shot: poll

Global News, October 31, 2023

[40% of Canadians don't plan on getting updated COVID booster, flu shot: poll - National | Globalnews.ca](#)

Sault Area Hospital declares COVID-19 outbreak on 2A

The Sault Star, October 31, 2023

[Sault Area Hospital declares COVID-19 outbreak on 2A | Sault Star](#)

Local COVID-19 outbreaks reach 5 — most at one time in 2023

BayToday, November 1, 2023

[Local COVID-19 outbreaks reach 5 — most at one time in 2023 - North Bay News \(baytoday.ca\)](#)

Pressure on health-care system eases thanks to improved respiratory virus indicators

CBC News, November 1, 2023

[Pressure on health-care system eases thanks to improved respiratory virus indicators | CBC News](#)

A new COVID variant, HV.1, is becoming dominant in parts of Canada. Here's what you need to know

Toronto Star, November 10, 2023

[What you need to know about new COVID variant HV.1 \(thestar.com\)](#)

Here's why these 2 Toronto pharmacies are no longer operating vaccination programs

CTV News, November 8, 2023

[2 Toronto pharmacies no longer operating vaccine programs amid high demand | CTV News](#)

As snow falls, COVID situation stands firm

CBC News, November 9, 2023

[As snow falls, COVID situation stands firm | CBC News](#)

Industry coverage:

Ontario plans to expand midwives' prescribing power

The Canadian Press, October 27, 2023

[Ontario plans to expand midwives' prescribing power \(thestar.com\)](#)

Minds lost in the maze

Toronto Star, October 30, 2023

[What it's like to be a kdi in Ontario's mental health system \(thestar.com\)](#)

The kids aren't all right: How we are failing our children

Toronto Star, October 30, 2023

[A better future for our kids \(thestar.com\)](#)

Ontario lowering age for regular breast cancer screenings to 40

The Canadian Press, October 29, 2023

[Ontario lowering age for regular breast cancer screenings to 40 \(thestar.com\)](#)

Evacuated babies return to NICU; Impact of fire at General campus continues to be felt across the city

Ottawa Citizen, October 31, 2023

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New virtual critical care program delivers crucial support

Cornwall Standard Freeholder, October 31, 2023

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Minden Urgent Care Clinic turns away patients due to staffing levels

Peterborough Examiner, October 31, 2023

[Minden Urgent Care Clinic turns away patients \(thepeterboroughexaminer.com\)](https://www.thepeterboroughexaminer.com)

Why did this 99-year-old have to wait four hours for an ambulance?

Toronto Star, October 31, 2023

[Why did this 99-year-old have to wait four hours for an ambulance? \(thestar.com\)](https://www.thestar.com)

Power fully restored, ER still closed at General campus after fire

CBC News, October 30, 2023

[Power fully restored, ER still closed at General campus after fire | CBC News](https://www.cbc.com)

Radiation care moved out of Windsor, international law enforcement working on cyberattack

CBC News, October 31, 2023

[Radiation care moved out of Windsor, international law enforcement working on cyberattack | CBC News](https://www.cbc.com)

Patient, employee data stolen in ransomware attack, southwestern Ontario hospitals say

CP24, October 31, 2023

[Patient, employee data stolen in ransomware attack, southwestern Ontario hospitals say | CP24.com](https://www.cp24.com)

Lack of ambulances left 92-year-old woman waiting for help, Toronto paramedics' union says

CBC News, October 31, 2023

[Lack of ambulances left 92-year-old woman waiting for help, Toronto paramedics' union says | CBC News](https://www.cbc.com)

County puts \$1M toward Stevenson Memorial Hospital project

Barrie Today, October 31, 2023

[County puts \\$1M toward Stevenson Memorial Hospital project - Barrie News \(barrietoday.com\)](https://www.barrietoday.com)

NEW URGENT CARE WALK-IN CLINIC OPENS TODAY IN WINDSOR

AM800, November 1, 2023

[New urgent care walk-in clinic opens today in Windsor \(iheartradio.ca\)](https://www.iheartradio.ca)

Future of hospital care in Niagara takes shape

St. Catharines Standard, November 1, 2023

[Future of hospital care in Niagara takes shape \(stcatharinesstandard.ca\)](https://www.stcatharinesstandard.ca)

Our falling living standards are not just an economic risk

The Globe and Mail, October 31, 2023

[Opinion: Our falling living standards are not just an economic risk - The Globe and Mail](#)

Employee pay system at Windsor Regional Hospital offline since ransomware attack began

CBC News, November 1, 2023

[Employee pay system at Windsor Regional Hospital offline since ransomware attack began | CBC News](#)

Windsor hospital warns of payroll errors, but says staff will be paid, amid cyberattack

CBC News, November 1, 2023

[Windsor hospital warns of payroll errors, but says staff will be paid, amid cyberattack | CBC News](#)

Expansion of private clinics likely to increase wait times in Ontario, report suggests

CP24, November 2, 2023

[Private clinics likely to increase wait times in Ontario, report suggests | CP24.com](#)

Canada has more doctors than ever — but access is worse. Why is that?

Toronto Star, November 2, 2023

[Doctors' offices need to become more efficient \(thestar.com\)](#)

Physician shortage in northern Ontario a dire situation, says doctor

CBC News, November 1, 2023

[Physician shortage in northern Ontario a dire situation, says doctor | CBC News](#)

Long-term opioid users suffer with crumbling bones, brain injuries and little hope of treatment

CBC News, November 1, 2023

[Long-term opioid users suffer with crumbling bones, brain injuries and little hope of treatment | CBC News](#)

MEDICAL CLINIC OPENS IN DOWNTOWN WINDSOR TO ADDRESS HIGH DEMAND

AM800, November 2, 2023

[Medical clinic opens in downtown Windsor to address high demand \(iheartradio.ca\)](#)

Public Health introduces online 'ChatBot' to improve accessibility

Guelph Today, November 2, 2023

[Public Health introduces online 'ChatBot' to improve accessibility - Guelph News \(guelphtoday.com\)](https://www.guelphtoday.com/news/public-health-introduces-online-chatbot-to-improve-accessibility)

Patient data published following cyberattack against southwestern Ontario hospitals

Windsor Star, November 2, 2023

[Patient data published after cyberattack against SW Ontario hospitals | Windsor Star](https://www.windsorstar.com/news/healthcare/patient-data-published-after-cyberattack-against-sw-ontario-hospitals)

Cybercriminal group claims responsibility for ransomware attack as hospital CEO says recovery will take weeks

CBC News, November 3, 2023

[Cybercriminal group claims responsibility for ransomware attack as hospital CEO says recovery will take weeks | CBC News](https://www.cbc.com/news/health/cybercriminal-group-claims-responsibility-for-ransomware-attack-as-hospital-ceo-says-recovery-will-take-weeks)

Brant-Brantford Paramedic Service still seeing 'code zeroes' despite additional support

Hamilton Spectator, November 3, 2023

[Brantford paramedics seeing 'code zeroes' despite support \(thespec.com\)](https://www.thespec.com/news/local/brantford-paramedics-seeing-code-zeroes-despite-support)

Respiratory Illness Reporting System Impacted By CKHA Cyberattack

CKXS Radio, November 3, 2023

[Respiratory Illness Reporting System Impacted By CKHA Cyberattack - 99.1 FM CKXS | Your Music Variety \(ckxsfm.com\)](https://www.ckxsfm.com/news/local/respiratory-illness-reporting-system-impacted-by-ckha-cyberattack-99.1-fm-ckxs-your-music-variety)

Expansion of private clinics likely to increase wait times in Ontario, report suggests

CTV News, November 2, 2023

[Private clinics likely to increase wait times in Ontario, report suggests | CTV News](https://www.ctvnews.ca/health/private-clinics-likely-to-increase-wait-times-in-ontario-report-suggests)

To get affordability right, we can't trade off Canadians' basic needs

Toronto Star, November 3, 2023

[Punishing affordability crisis requires new strategy \(thestar.com\)](https://www.thestar.com/news/ontario/2023/11/03/punishing-affordability-crisis-requires-new-strategy.html)

Canada's health spending growth 'modest,' remains below pre-pandemic levels: CIHI

The Canadian Press, November 2, 2023

[Canada's health spending growth 'modest,' remains below pre-pandemic levels: CIHI \(thestar.com\)](https://www.thestar.com/news/canada/2023/11/02/canadas-health-spending-growth-modest-remains-below-pre-pandemic-levels-cihi.html)

Toronto Public Health to open 8,000 new vaccine appointments

Toronto Star, November 2, 2023

[TPH to open 8,000 new vaccine appointments \(thestar.com\)](https://www.thestar.com/news/ontario/2023/11/02/tpsh-to-open-8000-new-vaccine-appointments.html)

Alberta's medical lab mayhem during privatization shows importance of oversight on errors, doctors say

CBC News, November 3, 2023

[Alberta's medical lab mayhem during privatization shows importance of oversight on errors, doctors say | CBC News](https://www.cbc.com/news/health/alberta-medical-lab-privatization-errors-1.6811111)

2nd round of data from hospital cyberattack published, site says

CBC News, November 3, 2023

[2nd round of data from hospital cyberattack published, site says | CBC News](https://www.cbc.com/news/health/hospital-cyberattack-data-1.6811111)

Private clinics will not reduce wait times in Ontario: study

The Ottawa Citizen, November 3, 2023

[Expanding private delivery does not reduce health care wait times: study | Ottawa Citizen](https://www.ottawacitizen.com/news/local/private-clinics-will-not-reduce-wait-times-in-ontario-study)

'Not sustainable' for police to be 1st responders to mental health, addictions crisis: police chief

CBC News, November 4, 2023

['Not sustainable' for police to be 1st responders to mental health, addictions crisis: police chief | CBC News](https://www.cbc.com/news/indigenous/police-1st-responders-mental-health-addictions-crisis-1.6811111)

How Ottawa's public health unit wants to fight the fentanyl crisis

National Post, November 5, 2023

[How Ottawa's public health unit wants to fight the fentanyl crisis | National Post](https://www.nationalpost.com/health/ottawa-public-health-unit-fight-fentanyl-crisis/)

Toronto's shelter system is buckling — leaving hospital, church and outreach workers bracing for a 'bleak' winter

Toronto Star, November 5, 2023

[Why front-line homelessness workers expect a 'bleak' winter \(thestar.com\)](https://www.thestar.com/news/ontario/2023/11/05/why-front-line-homelessness-workers-expect-a-bleak-winter.html)

Virtual urgent care didn't divert Ontario patients from ER visits during pandemic, study suggests

CBC News, November 6, 2023

[Virtual urgent care didn't divert Ontario patients from ER visits during pandemic, study suggests | CBC News](https://www.cbc.com/news/health/virtual-urgent-care-ontario-er-visits-pandemic-study-suggests-1.6811111)

Machado: You can't talk healthcare spending without knowing the needs of those who depend on it

Healthing, November 4, 2023

[Machado: You can't talk healthcare spending without knowing the needs of those who depend on it | Healthing.ca](#)

'A public health concern': Should Canadians stop turning back the clocks?

CTV News, November 5, 2023

[Daylight savings: Should Canada stop changing the clocks? | CTV News](#)

Toronto mother calls for reversal of Bill 60 after nurses caring for her child move to private clinic

CITY News Toronto, November 6, 2023

[Toronto mother calls for reversal of Bill 60 after nurses caring for her child move to private clinic | CityNews Toronto](#)

Info from 5.6 million patient visits among data stolen in ransomware attack on Ontario hospitals

CBC News, November 6, 2023

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Health policy researcher says privatizing health care is wrong

Sudbury.com, November 6, 2023

[Health policy researcher says privatizing health care is wrong - Sudbury News](#)

OPH looks for more money to tackle Ottawa's opioid overdose crisis

CBC News, November 7, 2023

[OPH looks for more money to tackle Ottawa's opioid overdose crisis | CBC News](#)

Private clinics will not reduce wait times: report; Public health care system isn't broken, just underfunded, think tank says

Ottawa Citizen, November 7, 2023

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Lung cancer death rates decreasing but still biggest cancer killer, report says

Canada gets low marks for opioid deaths, access to health care in OECD report

CBC News, November 7, 2023

[Canada gets low marks for opioid deaths, access to health care in OECD report | CBC News](#)

Some radiation procedures at Windsor Regional Hospital going ahead after cyberattack

CBC News, November 7, 2023

[Some radiation procedures at Windsor Regional Hospital going ahead after cyberattack | CBC News](#)

Lung-cancer mortality rates decrease as cervical cancer diagnoses rise, annual health report finds

The Globe and Mail, November 8, 2023

[Lung-cancer mortality rates decrease as cervical cancer diagnoses rise, annual health report finds - The Globe and Mail](#)

Health Sciences North opens Acute and Reactivation Care Centre

Sudbury.com, November 7, 2023

[Health Sciences North opens Acute and Reactivation Care Centre - Sudbury News](#)

New report calls on Ford government to deviate from for-profit healthcare expansion

CTV News, November 9, 2023

[New report calls on Ford government to deviate from for-profit healthcare expansion | CTV News](#)

Michael Garron Hospital ransomware attack compromised personal data of employees, clinicians

Toronto Star, November 8, 2023

[Michael Garron ransomware attack compromised personal data \(thestar.com\)](#)

Data on 267,000 Sarnia patients going back 3 decades among cyberattack thefts at 5 Ontario hospitals

CBC, November 9, 2023

[Data on 267,000 Sarnia patients going back 3 decades among cyberattack thefts at 5 Ontario hospitals | CBC News](#)

Once your data is stolen, you can't get it back. But there are steps you can take

CBC News, November 10, 2023

[Once your data is stolen, you can't get it back. But there are steps you can take | CBC News](#)

Southwestern Ontario hospitals will rebuild network from scratch amid fallout from cyberattack

CBC News, November 9, 2023

[Southwestern Ontario hospitals will rebuild network from scratch amid fallout from cyberattack | CBC News](#)

The hotels some Ontario youth with special needs are living in are being called unsafe

CBC News, November 9, 2023

[The hotels some Ontario youth with special needs are living in are being called unsafe | CBC News](#)

Labour coverage:

Unifor says tentative deal reached to end strike at St. Lawrence Seaway authority

The Canadian Press, October 29, 2023

[Unifor says tentative deal reached to end strike at St. Lawrence Seaway authority \(thestar.com\)](#)

8,200 Canadian autoworkers at Chrysler parent Stellantis on strike

CBC News, October 30, 2023

[8,200 Canadian autoworkers at Chrysler parent Stellantis on strike | CBC News](#)

Unifor now has tentative deals for St. Lawrence Seaway and Stellantis workers. Its next target? Loblaws

Toronto Star, October 31, 2023

[Loblaws next in Unifor's sights for contract negotiations \(thestar.com\)](#)

OSSTF decision to forgo right to strike concerning to labour scholars

St. Catharines Standard, October 30, 2023

[OSSTF decision to forgo right to strike concerning to labour scholars \(stcatharinesstandard.ca\)](#)

Head of York student union won't retract statement on Hamas attack, says university is trying to silence group

The Globe and Mail, October 30, 2023

[Head of York student union won't retract statement on Hamas attack, says university is trying to silence group - The Globe and Mail](#)

Ontario agrees to give some teachers, education workers, retroactive salary bumps

The Canadian Press, October 31, 2023

[Ontario agrees to give some teachers, education workers, retroactive salary bumps \(thestar.com\)](#)

Possible labour disruption at NOSM University could affect medical students

CBC News, November 3, 2023

[Possible labour disruption at NOSM University could affect medical students | CBC News](#)

TVO employees back to work Monday after monthslong strike: TVO

CBC News, November 5, 2023

[TVO employees back to work Monday after monthslong strike: TVO | CBC News](#)

420,000 Quebec public sector workers are on strike today, affecting schools and hospitals

CBC News, November 6, 2023

[420,000 Quebec public sector workers are on strike today, affecting schools and hospitals | CBC News](#)

Ontario to make it mandatory for salaries to be disclosed in job postings

CTV News, November 5, 2023

[Ontario to mandate salary ranges in job postings | CTV News](#)

Strike averted at NOSM University

CBC News, November 6, 2023

[Strike averted at NOSM University | CBC News](#)

Ontario to consult on banning NDAs in cases of workplace harassment, misconduct

The Canadian Press, November 6, 2023

[Ontario to consult on banning NDAs in cases of workplace harassment, misconduct \(thestar.com\)](#)

Toronto-area workers must make at least \$25 an hour for a living wage, report says. Here's how that compares across Ontario

Toronto Star, November 6, 2023

[Here's what the living wage is in the GTA and across Ontario \(thestar.com\)](#)

Stellantis workers vote in favour of collective agreement: Unifor

The Canadian Press, November 6, 2023

[Stellantis workers vote in favour of collective agreement: Unifor \(thestar.com\)](#)

80,000 Quebec health-care workers kick off 2-day strike, announce another walkout later this month

CBC News, November 8, 2023

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Ontario to ban employers from asking for Canadian work experience

Toronto Star, November 9, 2023

[Ontario to ban employers from asking for Canadian work experience \(thestar.com\)](#)

Supreme Court to hear case on Ontario election advertising rules

The Canadian Press, November 9, 2023

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Ontario to ban Canadian work experience requirement in job postings

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Unions want to seize 'organizing moment' after Detroit 3 deals. But will it work?

CBC News, November 10, 2023

[Unions want to seize 'organizing moment' after Detroit 3 deals. But will it work? | CBC News](#)

Human Rights & Equity coverage:

Métis youth are leading the way amidst polarization

Toronto Star, October 28, 2023

[Métis youth are leading the way amidst polarization \(thestar.com\)](#)

Caste-based discrimination now recognized by Ontario Human Rights Commission

Toronto Star, October 30, 2023

[Caste discrimination recognized by Ontario Human Rights Commission \(thestar.com\)](#)

Northern Ontario First Nations call for help amid mental health crisis

The Canadian Press, October 30, 2023

[Northern Ontario First Nations call for help amid mental health crisis - Sudbury News](#)

Like it or not, social collapse is coming to your backyard — if it's not already there

Toronto Star, November 1, 2023

[Social collapse is coming to your backyard \(thestar.com\)](#)

Jewish students at York University sound alarm over increasing antisemitism on campus

Toronto Star, November 1, 2023

[Jewish students at Ontario universities have become targets of hate \(thestar.com\)](#)

Queen's University students allegedly dressed in ' Hamas attire' and threatened Jews at party

Toronto Star, October 31, 2023

[Students allegedly wore ' Hamas attire,' threatened Jews \(thestar.com\)](#)

'Vile, disturbing trends' led Ford government to mandate more Holocaust education in high school

Toronto Star, November 1, 2023

[Ontario to boost mandatory education about the Holocaust \(thestar.com\)](#)

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“Nurses Talk Truth” in New Campaign Calling Out Ford Government

TORONTO, ON., October 30, 2023 – Front-line nurses and health-care professionals are calling foul on the Ford Conservative government’s disastrous health-care policies in a new advertising campaign, launched by the Ontario Nurses’ Association today.

“We created this ad campaign to tell the public the brutal truth about health care in Doug Ford’s Ontario,” says Ontario Nurses’ Association (ONA) President Erin Ariss, RN. “Ford’s Conservative government has dramatically underfunded every sector of our public health-care system while launching a dangerous plan to further privatize it. This will only benefit private investors, while making things worse for health-care providers and average Ontarians.”

The campaign features Ontario’s health-care workers sharing unscripted, stark truths of working on the frontlines of the province’s public health-care system, showcased in black and white advertisements for television, social media and in print during the month of November. It focusses on staffing, privatization, and underfunding, urging the public to send a message to decision-makers through the campaign website: nursestalktruth.ca.

Notes one nurse featured in the ad: “I don’t think Doug Ford should be trusted with healthcare. He needs to listen to nurses.” Another nurse says: “The government has proven time and time again that they have to be forced to do the right thing, and that’s why WE keep fighting.”

“Nurses and health-care professionals are speaking out in our own words to share the bleak realities we face as we hold together a system starved of resources by this government,” says Ariss. “All Ontarians deserve high-quality public healthcare, and we hope they will hear our message and demand government action to increase public funding and stop private surgeries and private staffing agencies that are draining our public system of resources.”

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Media Release

Princess Margaret Cancer Centre Medical Radiation Therapists Call on CEO to Negotiate Fair Wages and Current Contract

TORONTO, ON., October 30, 2023 – Having worked without a current contract for four years, Medical Radiation Therapists (MRTs) at Princess Margaret Cancer Centre have held a rally and called on University Health Network CEO and President Kevin Smith to come to the table and immediately negotiate a current fair contract.

“Cancer patients rely on the extraordinary care that our highly educated and skilled Medical Radiation Therapists provide,” says Ontario Nurses’ Association (ONA) President Erin Ariss, RN. “Princess Margaret Cancer Centre prides itself as one of the best cancer-care centres in Canada yet is treating our vital MRTs – who provide specialized care and perform ground-breaking research – disrespectfully. It’s 2023, yet this employer has failed to negotiate a current contract, leaving these vital health-care professionals living on 2019-era wages. It’s appalling, and it is impacting the ability of this facility to attract and retain these highly specialized health-care professionals.”

The MRTs are seeking a four-year contract with fair and respectful wage increases, catching them up to the current year.

Following a rally outside Princess Margaret Cancer Centre, the MRTs and their supporters presented the CEO and President with a petition signed by a very strong majority, 84% of the MRTs, to demonstrate that they value the essential role of MRTs in providing life-saving treatment and research for patients with cancer by negotiating the new contract. The two sides are scheduled for arbitration on October 31, 2023.

“I would hope that Dr. Kevin Smith will stop withholding fair and respectful wages from front-line health-care professionals and instead treat them with the respect they so deserve,” says Ariss. “Princess Margaret exists to provide the best care, treatment plan and research to people facing a serious health crisis. It is imperative that Dr. Smith act in the best interests of those who need the best care.”

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Front-line Nurse Practitioners overwhelmingly choose to join the Ontario Nurses' Association

HAMILTON, ON., October 31, 2023 –The Ontario Nurses' Association (ONA), the union representing more than 68,000 registered nurses and health-care professionals as well as 18,000 nursing student affiliates, is excited to welcome nurse practitioners from Hamilton Niagara Haldimand Brant Home and Community Care Support Services.

The nurse practitioners (NPs) voted overwhelmingly in favour of joining ONA, the country's largest nurses' union.

"We are honoured and delighted to welcome these highly educated NPs to our union and look forward to representing them," says ONA Provincial President Erin Ariss, RN. "They contacted ONA because of concerns they had regarding a lack of transparency and wage equity at HNHB HCCSS and they want to have a voice in their workplace."

The NPs voted on September 25 and 26 to join ONA. ONA offers a wide range of programs and supports to its members.

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Nurses Alarmed at Potential Algoma Public Health Staffing Cuts

SAULT STE. MARIE, ON, November 1, 2023 – The Ontario Nurses’ Association (ONA) is deeply concerned about potential looming cuts to front-line staffing – which may include nurses and health-care professionals – at Algoma Public Health, following news that its Board of Health will be recommending a ‘workforce reduction’ to save money in the face of a projected \$1.5-million budget shortfall for 2024.

“Ontario’s health-care system is under tremendous pressure today, in large part due to the withholding of health-care funding from every sector of the system by the Ford government,” says ONA Provincial President Erin Ariss, RN. “The prospect of up to 15 health unit positions, possibly including the nurses that ONA represents – being eliminated should send a chill down the spine of every resident of the District of Algoma. We all need the expert care and services of our public health nurses and health-care professionals now more than ever. The employer has yet to make it clear which workers will be cut, but the bottom line is that any cuts to the front lines will be paid for with peoples’ health.”

Ariss notes that this health unit has recently cut its smoking cessation services and removed nurses from its Sexual Health information line. There are fewer public flu vaccine clinics being held, no more in-person prenatal services, and several programs for new parents and their babies have already been cut. “This has already created a large gap in public health services,” says Ariss, “at a time when people across the province are struggling to find even basic care. Public health services are meant to reduce harm, prevent illness and improve the health of the population. It is nonsensical to cut those services when they are more needed than ever.”

ONA is calling on the Board of Health for the District of Algoma to protect the delivery of invaluable and longstanding public health programs and services in their communities. “Our nurses are exhausted after years of responding to the COVID-19 pandemic. Now facing massive backlogs in immunizations and infectious diseases programs, staffing must not be cut – that would do nothing but put communities at risk,” Ariss says. “If cuts are needed, it’s past time to reduce the large number of new management positions rather than reduce front-line worker levels to lower than before the pandemic. Protecting the jobs of those on the front lines of public health means protecting the local delivery of health-care services to communities.”

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Media Statement

ONA Celebrates 50 Years of Activism and Patient Advocacy

More than 900 front-line nurses, health-care professionals and local leaders to meet in Toronto

TORONTO, ON, November 6, 2023 – More than 900 front-line nurses, health-care professionals and local leaders are celebrating their 50 years of activism and patient advocacy in Ontario as they gather together for the Biennial Convention of the Ontario Nurses' Association (ONA).

Scheduled for November 7 to 9 at the Sheraton Centre Toronto Hotel, the event marks 50 years since ONA was formed by grassroots nurses across the province. It will be a pivotal moment for today's members to engage in their union's democratic structures to chart their future in the face of a Conservative government hell bent on privatizing healthcare and worsening existing staffing and funding shortfalls in the public sector.

Among the highlights of this convention are an address to members by Provincial President Erin Ariss, RN, who will reflect on ONA's history as a grassroots movement arising from a female-dominated profession. Ariss will outline the current realities facing members in their workplaces and point to ONA's future course fighting for fairness and respect. Her address begins at 9:30 am on Tuesday, November 7 and will be livestreamed on ONA's public [Facebook page](#).

ONA will unveil a new brand identity for the organization, to take place on Thursday morning, beginning at 9:30 am. Also on the agenda is a full roster of updates, featured speakers, constitutional amendments and resolutions. This is an important meeting where members will chart a course amidst government attacks, and the aftermath of a devastating pandemic.

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Front-line nurses, PSWs overwhelmingly vote to join the Ontario Nurses' Association

KINGSVILLE, ON., November 6, 2023 –The Ontario Nurses' Association (ONA), the union representing more than 68,000 registered nurses and health-care professionals as well as 18,000 nursing student affiliates, is thrilled to welcome registered practical nurses (RPNs) and personal support workers (PSWs) from Augustine Villas Retirement and Assisted Living to our membership.

The nurses and PSWs have voted overwhelmingly in favour of joining ONA, the country's largest nurses' union.

"We are delighted to welcome Augustine Villas Retirement and Assisted Living workers to our union and look forward to representing them," says ONA Provincial President Erin Ariss, RN. "These workers contacted ONA because they need the support of a strong union to address issues such as wages, fairness, respect and transparency."

The RPNs and PSWs voted on October 23 and 24 to join ONA. ONA offers a wide range of programs and support to its members.

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For more information about joining ONA, please email: organizer@ona.org or call 1-800-387-5580 and ask to speak with an Organizer. All conversations will be kept confidential.

Ontario Nurses' Association launches its renewed brand identity, celebrating 50 years with a focus on local activism

TORONTO, ON., November 9, 2023 – Canada's largest nurses' union is celebrating its 50th anniversary with a renewed sense of commitment and purpose, and a new brand identity to go with it, unveiled today to more than 900 members attending the Ontario Nurses' Association (ONA's) Biennial Convention.

"We are a noble profession, but our government and health-care administrators have too often tried to strip away our power by disrespecting us, undervaluing us and trying to silence us," says ONA President Erin Ariss, RN. "ONA's new brand expresses our future as a union and as a grassroots movement across Ontario. We are reclaiming our voices and our power so we can tell the brutal truth about how our government and employers are creating the crisis in our public health-care system."

The renewed brand (www.ona.org/fightlocal) comes as nurses and health-care professionals are fighting back like never before against a provincial government that is underfunding public health care while expanding privatization to benefit wealthy investors at the expense of everyone else.

"ONA was born from grassroots activism, and we are growing through local action," says Ariss. "The heart of this new direction is giving our members the tools to reclaim their voices and take action at the local level, in their workplaces and communities." Ariss says ONA's new brand follows three principles: tell the brutal truth; rekindle the sisterhood of nursing; and restore the nobility of our professions. Ontarians can count on nurses and health-care professionals to tell them the honest and unvarnished truth, always," she says. "The brave nurses who took the step of creating our union all those years ago inspire me today, and our new way forward honours that past."

ONA's renewed focus on local action comes with a warning for employers and government. "No matter how much our bosses or our government try to silence us, we know we have the real power. We are a union family, and the source of our strength is each other. Administrations and the Ford government should know: the nurses are coming," says Ariss.

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