# Bargaining Bulletin — May 15, 2013

We had a good first day of bargaining! We gave management our non-economic proposals and are busy preparing our economic proposal.

## What about raises?

Our Union has presented management with a four-page information request so that we can really get the facts on money. Management is to provide us with the requested information by Friday, May 17. We will analyze the material and use our findings to make an economics proposal.

Both teams agreed to extend the contract expiration date to July 1, 2013, and we will continue to bargain with management throughout that time period. Our next bargaining date is set for June 5.

# What else is happening in Bargaining?

We've started a productive dialogue with management about safety issues. Do you have a time that you were threatened by a patient or their family, or an instance where someone was physically or verbally aggressive? If yes, our Bargaining Team would like to hear your account of what took place and how it might have been prevented. In addition, we're working to clean up any contract language that may be confusing.

### What can members do to help?

Our Bargaining Team needs support. Help distribute flyers! Come visit our bargaining session on June 5 to show management you care about the outcome of negotiations. And if you have experienced patients and/or their families behaving aggressively or violently, we need to hear from you! Contact your bargaining team member, or Union Rep. Mimi Holt.

#### Our Bargaining Team:

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