

# Union RNs Fight for Safe Staffing

HACKENSACK MERIDIAN TURNS A DEAF EAR TO SAFETY CONCERNS

### Bargaining Teams:

#### Local 5058

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#### Local 5030

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On Monday July 10<sup>th</sup>, 60+ HPAE members joined our bargaining committees to demand safe staffing. Patient care suffers when management fails to abide by nurse-topatient ratios at all times and ensure units are staffed with skilled, experienced nurses. Nurses shared the following powerful experiences:

- New RN floated to a critical care area without certification or proper training
- RN with 6-pt. assignment including a patient who required continuous bladder irrigation every 20 min.
- Failure to staff a 1:1 resulted in a patient not eating for a full day
- Assigned a patient requiring peritoneal dialysis without any training. Manager told RN: "Google it."

HMH is unable or unwilling to tell us about their acuity system. We want to know how they staff up for sicker patients, admissions after the beginning of the shift and critical needs that arise in the course of caring for members of our community.

They continue to propose **TAKEBACKS** and have not presented economic proposals.

# SEND A STRONG MESSAGE!

**Attend Negotiations** Health Insurance Discussion Monday July 17th @ 10:30am Clarion Hotel, 815 Route 37 W, Toms River

## STRIKE VOTE:

Thursday July 20th @ 8a, 4p, 8p Neptune Township First Aid Squad 97 W. Sylvania Ave., Neptune



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