



HOSPITAL EMPLOYEES' UNION

PROVINCIAL OFFICE:

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Secretary-Treasurers

Dear Sisters and Brothers:

Re: **Union Activism Workshop – 1 Day Introduction to HEU**

HEU members who are interested in or considering becoming active in the union are invited to apply for this one-day **Union Activism** workshop.

The goal of the workshop is to introduce members to the union, union rights, and opportunities to actively participate in HEU.

You will learn about:

- HEU and union rights
- The history of HEU and the labour movement
- Why unions are important and relevant in today's political climate
- Privatization and how HEU is defending public Health and Social Services
- Equity and human rights in the union
- Participating in HEU and making changes where needed

No accommodations or travel expenses will be reimbursed for these workshops. If there is no workshop scheduled in your community and you are interested, please contact your Servicing Representative and advise them of your interest. If a minimum of 8 members express an interest a workshop will be scheduled in your community. Once successful applicants have been contacted with the location and time, they will be required to apply for Leave for Union Business.

Application forms should be filled out and returned to the HEU Provincial Office, Education Department, **Attention: Roshni Chand**. Please return only ONE copy of the application either by fax or mail: **FAX (604) 739-1510**
HEU Provincial Office, 5000 North Fraser Way, Burnaby BC, V5J 5M3

Depending on the total number of applicants, there may be a selection process. Please indicate on the form whether the applicant is a 1st choice or 2nd choice from your Local. We will be contacting applicants by telephone or mail to confirm further details. **Please tell applicants to wait until they are contacted for further information.**

Also, please keep a running list of members interested in taking Union Activism. Once there are 8 or more people, contact your local servicing representative who will coordinate with the HEU education department to schedule an additional workshop at your local or within your region.



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Please refer to attached application form for the closest location to your community and dates of the Union Activism Workshop

In solidarity,



Judy Darcy
Secretary-Business Manager

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cc: Provincial Executive
Representatives and Directors
Regional Member Facilitators