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## HEU facilities subsector ratification votes underway

In early February, a two-year tentative agreement – covering more than 48,000 hospital and long-term care workers – was reached between the multi-union Facilities Bargaining Association (FBA) and the Health Employers Association of BC (HEABC).

The proposed contract protects wages and extended health benefits, expands options for workers affected by restructuring and privatization, and provides compensation increases for targeted job categories.

During the past month, the union's leadership, servicing representatives and HEU activists held a series of information meetings across the province to review details of the negotiated settlement.

You can read the comprehensive report as well as several fact sheets on our website at www.heu.org (just click on the *facilities tentative agreement icon* on the top right-hand sidebar). There is also a ratification vote schedule posted on our website.

The Provincial Bargaining Committee and HEU's Provincial Executive are recommending ratification of this two-year contract.

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