

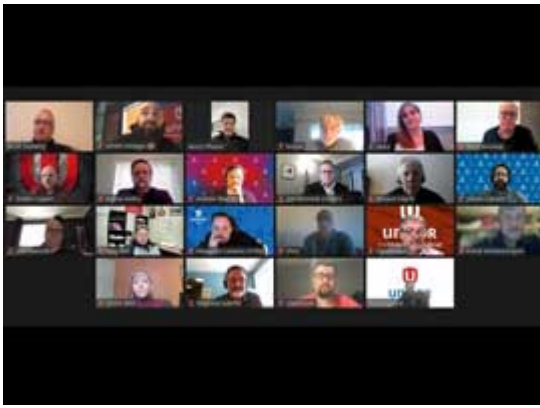
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Watch as Registered Practical Nurses share what is happening on the frontlines. Unifor demands pandemic pay for grocery workers as Omicron wave surges. Job security is key issue as collective bargaining begins for VIA Rail members. Canfor forestry workers gain improvements in a pattern agreement, while GFL Environmental members achieve wage increases in a new contract. Plus, a new Employment Insurance FAQ sheet is now available to help navigate special temporary EI measures.

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VIA rail members who continued to work during the pandemic, while keeping travellers safe, comfortable and delivering a high-quality mode of transportation open contract talks.

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As COVID-19 cases soar so do profits at major grocery stores but the retail giants refuse to reinstate pandemic pay for frontline employees. Sign the petition to demand pandemic pay for these essential workers.

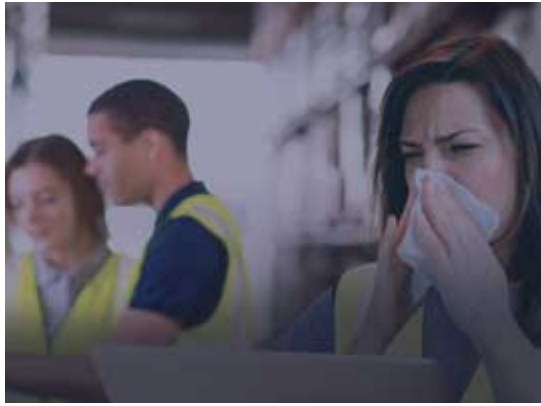
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Registered Practical Nurses play a vital part of Ontario's health care system. Watch as they share how the pandemic has changed their lives.

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Unifor and PPWC reach pattern agreement with Canfor for 900 forestry workers in Western Canada.

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Lana Payne speaks with CBC's morning show in Newfoundland about how COVID inspired more workers to fight for what they deserve.

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Wage increases and improved contract language are just some of the gains in a new collective agreement for the 54 Unifor Local 444 members at GFL Environmental in Windsor.

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