

Organize your Ontario Health Coalition Workplace Referendum to protect public healthcare.



Do you want our public hospital services to be privatized to for-profit hospitals and clinics? Share your opinion.

Frequently asked questions – FAQ

I've used the letter to the employer from the toolkit and my employer says we cannot hold a referendum in our workplace. What should I do?

If you have a local union office on site at your workplace, you can hold the vote there, if not, you can always utilize public property, like a sidewalk, a corner, or a bit of land, where you can set up the voting station to connect with people as they come in and out of your workplace.

How do I advertise the workplace referendum?

Please use the toolkit on the CUPE Ontario website <https://cupe.on.ca/ontario-health-coalition-workplace-referendum-toolkit/>. Use the information package, the VOTE signs, and the sharable images. You can also communicate in advance with your members to let them know the date of the workplace vote; this will be helpful to bring awareness to what the referendum is and why it's important to vote.

What if I miss my workplace vote?

There will be voting stations set up across the province by the Ontario Health Coalition holding the community referendum on May 26-27, 2023. As details become available, you can visit the Ontario Health Coalition website <https://publichospitalvote.ca/>. CUPE Ontario will also share the information with you as it becomes available.

Can my local team up with other locals to hold a bigger referendum vote?

YES! Also consider contacting your local CUPE District Council, as some have signed on to help.

Can someone speak at my GMM on the anti-privatization of health care?

CUPE Ontario can send someone to join your Zoom or in-person meeting, or the local Health Coalition contact in your area may be able to attend.

No one is answering at my local OHC contact.

Please circle back with CUPE Ontario to campigans4@cupe.on.ca and we can try to help connect you with your contact.

When does CUPE's workplace referendum take place?

The workplace referendum votes will take place May 15-22, 2023 inside or outside your workplace, or online.

Will there be other opportunities to vote in my area?

The public vote is taking place through the Ontario Health Coalition's community referendum happening May 26 and 27, 2023 at hundreds of voting stations that will be set up across the province.

Will there be an electronic vote?

CUPE Ontario will be sending a QR code that will direct your local to the online voting portal.