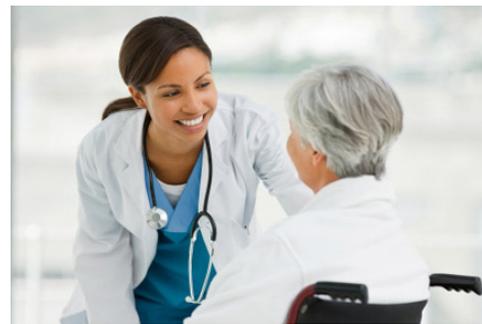


United Nurses Stand Against Outlaw Prime

Prime Prosecuted for Targeting Caregivers

Prime Healthcare is a rich, for-profit hospital chain, under prosecution by the federal government for breaking the law by targeting its own nurses—the caregivers for its patients.



Charges against Prime:

- Unlawful firing and discipline of nurses for organizing to improve patient care and working conditions
- Unlawful threats and retaliation against nurses for organizing to speak up
- Refusal to sit down with nurses to bargain improvements to patient care

At Prime hospitals Chino Valley Medical Center and Garden Grove Hospital & Medical Center, nurses have joined together to stand up for quality patient care against illegal attacks by Prime. The 20,000-strong United Nurses Associations of California/Union of Health Care Professionals (UNAC/UHCP) has worked with the federal government to protect caregivers and patients.

Nurses are primary caregivers and patient advocates. An attack against nurses is an attack against patient care.

Prime is Bad for Your Community

The Prime method for “turning around” financially strapped hospitals is simple: Prime puts profits over people.

When Prime comes into a community, it has:

- **Cut vital but low-profit health services** like chemotherapy treatments and mental health care¹
- **Cut wages and benefits**—like health care—for its caregivers
- **Attempted to silence patient advocates**—its own nurses and health care professionals—through unlawful threats and retaliation

Prime drives out good jobs and drives down wages, harming the economy, families and the community.

Prime “Healthcare” is Bad for Community Health: Keep Prime Out of Victor Valley

The mission of UNAC/UHCP is to empower health care professionals to be advocates for members and patients: to create a high quality work environment; to provide economic and professional advancement; and to improve the quality of healthcare.

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¹Los Angeles Times, July 8, 2007, “Hospital Group Rejects System and Cashes In”