



Public Services International and The Open University-UK Interactive Webinar

Migrant Health and Social Care Workers during the COVID-19 Pandemic

7 December 2021, Tuesday, 12.00-15.00 CET

Background

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JOIN US IN THIS WEBINAR WHERE WE WILL:

- Present PSI survey results on migrant health and social care workers' situation in the pandemic;
- Share experiences among affiliates in defending the rights of migrant health and social care workers;
- Build strategies towards strengthening global policy and union organizing at the local level.

Interpretation will be provided in English, French and Spanish. Detailed agenda to follow.

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- Share experiences among affiliates in defending the rights of migrant health and social care workers.
- Build strategies towards strengthening global policy and union organizing at the national and local level.

Participants:

- Representatives of PSI Health and Social Care Sector unions in the PSI's regions
- PSI staff
- PSI and OU Experts

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Webinar Languages: English, French and Spanish

Agenda:

12.00 – 13.30 – Opening and Session 1

Welcome and Webinar Objectives

- Genevieve Gencianos, Migration Programme Coordinator, PSI
- Professor Nicola Yeates, Chair of Social Policy, The Open University

Session 1: What do we know and how are unions responding?

Overview of the PSI-OU Research on Migrant Health and Social Care Workers in the COVID-19 Pandemic, presentation of survey results

- Dr. Jane Pillinger, PSI Expert Consultant
- Contributions from unions in the countries of origin and destination (Philippines, Ghana, Germany and Finland)

Discussion

Moderator: Genevieve Gencianos, PSI

Short Break (30 mins)

14.00 – 15.00 – Session 2 and Conclusion

Session 2: The way forward: building strategies and recommendations

Overview Presentation: Trends and Challenges in the Governance of Health Worker Migration

- Genevieve Gencianos, PSI
- Contributions from unions in the countries of origin and destination (Barbados, Nigeria, UK and USA)

Discussion

Wrap-up and Closing

- Professor Nicola Yeates (OU)
- Genevieve Gencianos (PSI)

Moderator: Dr. Jane Pillinger, PSI Expert Consultant