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On Friday, June 10, 2022, KPWA's Primary Care and Telehealth Leadership team sent an email to all PARs in the Primary Care Appointing Centers and the 24-Hour Advice/Support regarding their proposed expansion of Telehealth Medical Center Hours and Services. Their proposal is to expand telehealth medical center hours and implement what KPWA calls "a more coordinated support system for patient secure messages."

THIS ONLY APPLIES TO PARS IN THE PCAC AND 24-HOUR ADVICE/SUPPORT TEAMS.

When we became aware of these proposed significant changes to the work hours and the expansion of the PAR role in patient care, we immediately issued a **demand to bargain** the decision and, if necessary, the impacts and implementation.

So the next steps are:

1. **Gather you concerns, comments and thoughts** on the proposed changes to the work hours and expansion of the PARs in patient care.

Please send these in an email to leslie@opeiu8.org with "Solution Center" in the subject line. It would be helpful to have your input no later than June 27, but the sooner the better.

2. **Volunteers for participating in the bargaining** of the proposed changes. We need two (2) members from each work unit (North work unit, South work unit and EA WA work unit) in the PCAC and two (2) members from the CNS work unit.

Please indicate your desire to participate as a bargaining team member in your email. If there are more than 2 for each group, KP seniority will prevail.

If you have any questions or need clarification, please contact your Union Representative:

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