Stopping state budget cuts to our programs & Voting on our tentative contract agreement

Dear member,

This has been another tough year, but our hard work in the legislature and at the bargaining table is making a difference for caregivers.

We’ve made huge headway to stop cuts to long-term care in the legislature—our phone calls, letter writing and lobbying in Olympia have brought a new budget proposal that would overturn the governor’s proposed cuts to agency rates. Even so, we’re still fighting legislative proposals that are making gains on Medicaid-funded work difficult.

Your union—SEIU Healthcare 775NW—and ResCare management will be holding joint information meetings on what we can do together to ensure the best possible outcome as the state budget is finalized by the March 8 deadline. You will receive pay for attending.

At these meetings we will also provide detail on the new tentative contract agreement with ResCare that includes protecting out Medicaid pay scale, and improvements in mileage reimbursement and health insurance benefits. After reviewing the proposed contract changes, we will vote on the agreement.

A complete listing of the times and dates for all ResCare meeting locations is included below. We’ll see you there.

**Mandatory, paid meeting for ResCare Union Employees**

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| **Date** | **Time** | **Meeting Location** | **Street Address** | **City** |
| 3/12/2012 | 10:00 am | Quality Inn | 700 Port Drive | Clarkston, WA 99403 |
| 3/12/2012 | 10:00 am | SEIU Healthcare 775NW | 33615 1st Way South | Federal Way, WA 98003 |
| 3/12/2012 | 10:00 am | Kennewick Library - Room A & B | 1620 S. Union Street | Kennewick, WA 99338 |
| 3/13/2012 | 10:00 am | SEIU Healthcare 775NW - Everett | 2812 Lombard Ave, Suite 104 | Everett, WA 98201 |
| 3/13/2012 | 10:00 am | Electrical Workers Local 76 - Hall B | 3049 S 36th Street, Suite 101 | Tacoma, WA 98409 |
| 3/13/2012 | 10:00 am | Davenport Hotel - Isabella Room | 10 S Post Street | Spokane, WA 99201 |
| 3/13/2012 | 10:00 am | Hilton Garden Inn - Cascade Room | 401 E Yakima Ave | Yakima, WA 98901 |
| 3/13/2012 | 1:00 pm | Electrical Workers Local 76 - Hall B | 3049 S 36th Street, Suite 101 | Tacoma, WA 98409 |
| 3/13/2012 | 1:00 pm | Sunnyside Library | 621 Grant | Sunnyside, WA 98944 |
| 3/14/2012 | 10:00 am | Best Western | 820 Koala Drive | Omak, WA 98841 |
| 3/14/2012 | 10:00 am | Governor Hotel | 621 South Capitol Way | Olympia, WA 98501 |
| 3/14/2012 | 10:00 am | Alliance for a Just Society | 3518 South Edmunds Street | Seattle, WA 98118 |
| 3/14/2012 | 10:00 am | Wenatchee Public Library | 310 Douglas Street | Wenatchee, WA 98801 |
| 3/14/2012 | 1:00 pm | Alliance for a Just Society | 3518 South Edmunds Street | Seattle, WA 98118 |
| 3/15/2012 | 10:00 am | Crossroads Community Center | 16000 NE 10th St. | Bellevue, WA 98008 |
| 3/15/2012 | 10:00 am | Pizza Factory | 662 South Main Street | Colville, WA 99114 |
| 3/15/2012 | 10:00 am | Ramada Inn | 1745 E. Kittleson Road | Moses Lake, WA 98837 |
| 3/16/2012 | 10:00 am | Kent Senior Center | 600 East Smith Street | Kent, WA 98031 |
| 3/16/2012 | 10:00 am | Holiday Inn Express | 1433 West Pine Street | Walla Walla, WA 99362 |

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