

RESTORE OUR RIGHTS

RALLIES | UNIONS TAKE PROVINCE TO COURT

OCHU/CUPE, SEIU and Unifor take Ontario to Court over access to the N-95 mask

3 unions have filed an application in Divisional court which challenges the province of Ontario's restrictive view of how the Covid-19 virus is transmitted and how N-95 masks are given to health care workers.

The application from OCHU/CUPE, SEIU and Unifor is backed by expert epidemiological testimony which supports the view that Covid-19 should be treated as a virus which is airborne, not just in aerosolizing procedures as the province of Ontario directs.

Papers were filed Aug. 21.



Rallies against contract over-rides draw hundreds

The first of 25 rallies organized by the Ontario Council of Hospital Unions/CUPE and CUPE Ontario kicked off in Pembroke, Brockville and Cornwall August 17, 18 and 19.

The rallies were very well attended for protests held at mid-day. They take place at the offices of the local Member of Provincial Parliament.

In July the Ontario government extended indefinitely emergency orders which over-ride the contracts of over 500,000 workers in health and social services and some municipal services.

OCHU/CUPE has also put employers on notice that any exercise of emergency powers can only happen in an institution with Covid-19 cases.



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The provincial bargaining priorities survey is available now for members to complete on the website: ochu.on.ca

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Upcoming Restore Our Rights Rallies:

August 27: Kenora - 300 McClellan Ave. East

August 28- Fort Frances- 279 Scott Street

September 1- Thunder Bay- 179 Algoma St. South

September 2- Sault Ste. Marie- 390 Bay Street

September 3- Sudbury- Hanmer Valley Shopping Plaza

September 4- North Bay - 219 Main St

The provincial bargaining conference will be held electronically, November 3-5. Registration forms for this conference will be emailed/mailed shortly

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