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## Community Health Services and Support: Bargaining reconvenes today

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Bargaining for the Community Health Services and Support sector reconvenes on Monday, January 7 in Vancouver following a break over the holidays.

Members in the sector have been in bargaining for a year. There will be no job action this week, but if an agreement cannot be reached by the end of next week, rotating strike action will recommence starting as early as January 14. Workers will be contacted through their stewards or union office if their workplace is a target for job action. Watch the website for details, and sign up at [hsabc.org](http://hsabc.org) to get news updates.

Workers in community health have been without a contract since March 31 and are among the lowest paid in the public sector. They are autism interventionists, child care assistants, and front line advocates for community health centres. They work as preschool teachers, residential care workers, in supported child care, as women's support workers at transition houses, and in mental health and addiction rehabilitation support.

They are the frontline caregivers in BC's health care system, providing compassionate, quality care and support to people in their homes and other facilities.

The Community Health Services and Support Bargaining Association represents more than 14,000 members, the majority of whom are represented by the BCGEU. Other unions at the table are HSA, UFCW, HEU, CUPE, and USWA.

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