

# Cumberland Urgent Care Team in two week strike



## Cumberland's Urgent Care Team is set for a continuous two-week strike

Approved Mental Health Social workers in the Urgent Care Team will walk out from 9am on April 24, 2024 until 9am May 8, 2024.

This will be the third time Cumberland's carers have walked out in their fight for a fair job evaluation.

More than 2,500 members of the public has signed a petition backing the Urgent Care Team's campaign. [1] The Urgent Care Team is on the front line of mental health care– on call across Cumbria 24 hours a day and making on the spot decisions on whether immediate detention is necessary.



In July 2022, these dedicated professionals submitted an application for a regrading of their role, believing it was incorrectly evaluated.

Cumberland Council denied their request.

**Fran Robson, GMB Organiser, said:**

"The dedication and expertise of GMB's Urgent Care Team members cannot be overstated.

"They make crucial decisions regarding potential detentions under the Mental Health Act.

"For too long, Cumberland council has ignored their tireless efforts and denied them the recognition they deserve.

"Our members are left with no choice but to escalate their dispute.

"It's high time that Cumberland council recognises our members' worth and allows fair regrading of their role."

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