

Sacked Mersey Care workers given redundancy in GMB win



More than 50 long-standing NHS staff sacked have been given their redundancy following a GMB campaign

Mersey Care NHS Foundation Trust recently closed their Calderstones Hospital site in Mitton Road, Whalley near Blackburn and told **more than 50 workers they would now have to work in Aspen Wood, near Liverpool – an 80 mile round trip or accept a unsuitable alternative role.**

Those who wouldn't, or couldn't make the trip – or accept the unsuitable offers – were sacked, without redundancy pay, on Easter Sunday.



But following GMB pressure, the trust has now agreed to pay them their dues.

Michael Clark, GMB Regional Organiser, said:

"Loyal workers with decades of service are now being treated with the dignity they deserve after years of service to Mersey Care and the NHS.

"Mersey Care's insistence on average an 80-mile commute per shift was unreasonable.

"After continuing pressure from the GMB, the trust relented – a fantastic result for this union and its members."

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