

High Court: Govt's care home policy would always have tragic consequences



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GMB, the union for care workers, has responded to today's [High Court ruling's on legal action brought against the government and health bosses over key policies and decisions made about care homes during the pandemic](#).



Rachel Harrison, GMB National Officer for care, said:

"Today's judgement is a terrible reminder of callous disregard this Government has shown for care home residents and workers.

"Transferring untested hospital outpatients into enclosed facilities where carers were denied access to proper PPE and even sick pay was always going to have tragic consequences

"GMB members nursed much loved residents as they died from this awful virus, while all the while worrying about their own safety and how they were going to pay the bills.

"If any good is to come out of this pandemic then it must include urgent reform of the sector. Ministers and employers need to explain how they are going to care for the people who have cared for us."

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