Looking Forward to Lexington

The 2018 Health Care Conference is less than one month away, and according to current registration records, this is going to be the biggest Health Care Conference yet!

We have an exciting set of panels and speakers planned. We’ll learn about sector-specific health and safety issues, bargaining tactics, communications strategies and more.

If you haven’t yet registered, you still have time, but you must move quickly to meet the April 1 deadline.

There are two ways to register: click here to register online, or click here to download the paper registration. Completed forms should be mailed along with a check (please put USW Health Care Workers Council Conference in the memo line) to:

USW
Attn: Julie Lidstone
Health Care Workers Council
60 Blvd. of the Allies
Pittsburgh, PA 15222

We’re looking forward to seeing you at the conference in Lexington, Ky., April 23-25.

New Union Coalition at Kaiser Permanente

Twenty-one local unions from the Coalition of Kaiser Permanente Unions (CKPU), including USW Local 7600, have decided to leave the current partnership and create a new alliance.

The new labor-management partnership will take the movement back to spirit of the original coalition, which sought to improve working conditions and patient care with a focus on building consensus among all the constituent unions.

The goals of the new coalition also include balancing the needs and concerns of all its members, without a single, dominating voice.

The new partnership will represent some 45,000 workers in nearly every geographic area where Kaiser Permanente has a presence. In addition to USW members, it will include members of AFSCME, UFCW, IBT, KPNA, IUOE, OFNHP (AFT), and ILWU.

The CKPU, which was formed in the 1990s, has successfully bargained five national contracts. Workers are now preparing to negotiate a new national agreement.

Local 7600 represents some 6,700 workers in Southern California.

Tell Us Your Stories!

Has your local done something outstanding? Have you had a great solidarity action? Done something huge to help your community? Made significant connections with other labor groups? Is your Women of Steel or Next Gen committee making waves?

Tell us about it!
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