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Why are we on strike in rehabilitation centres?

Thousands of us who work in rehabilitation centres are currently exercising our right to strike.

Why have we reached this point? Because there is no progress in bargaining talks and the Couillard government is attacking our rehabilitation centres by imposing millions of dollars in budget cuts.

Our centres are having more and more trouble responding quickly and efficiently to the needs of the users and their families.

- Waiting lists for a number of services have gotten longer, in physical and intellectual rehabilitation and for people suffering from addictions, which limits their access to services.
- Rehabilitation centres have trouble keeping personnel. The impact of this is to make teams even more unstable.
- The government is turning to the private sector more and more, in particular in rehabilitation centres for persons with intellectual impairments, even though it has been shown that the private resources don't have the expertise needed to meet users' needs.

Meanwhile, we are rushing all the time to try and give you the best possible services. Job abolitions, the non-replacement of people who are off sick and budget cuts are some of the causes of the outrageous increases in our workloads.

Providing you with quality services takes time. We have the necessary expertise and all we want is to do our best. To succeed in doing so, we have to improve our quality of life at work.

The current attacks are too important for us to simply stay on the sidelines and ignore. This is why we have made the difficult decision to go on strike.

- Because the worst that could happen to the health-care system would be for us to stand by, arms crossed, while the public system undergoes the worst dismantling we have ever seen!
- Because the government refuses to turn to new sources of revenue to fund our public services – for example, by putting an end to P3s and the use of the private sector, or by establishing a fully public drug insurance plan!
- Because the government wants to make workers poorer at a time of steadily growing social inequalities!

Stand with us for our public services!