



Industrial action update – June 2024

The British Medical Association (BMA) has announced junior doctors will take strike action from 7:00am on 27 June 2024 and ending 7:00am on 2 July 2024. This is part of an ongoing dispute between junior doctors and government.

Please see the following for the latest information released by hospital trusts across Humber and North Yorkshire:

- [Harrogate and District NHS Foundation Trust](#)
- [Hull University Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust](#)
- [Northern Lincolnshire and Goole NHS Foundation Trust](#)
- [York and Scarborough Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust](#)

Key public messages during periods of industrial action:

Updated information and FAQs for the public on industrial action has been published at www.england.nhs.uk/information-for-the-public-on-industrial-action. Some of these key messages are summarised below:

Appointments and procedures: The NHS is working hard to ensure adequate staffing through the entirety of urgent care pathways, urgent elective cases, and other critical services. However, the disruption to staffing will cause a significant reduction in elective activity and this may mean some appointments and procedures may need to be rescheduled. We will only reschedule appointments and procedures where necessary and will rebook immediately, where possible.

The NHS will be working closely with unions to discuss any patient safety concerns and ensure safe staffing for emergency care continues to be available.

If you have an appointment and have not been contacted, please continue to attend your appointment as planned. The NHS will contact you if your appointment needs to be rescheduled due to strike action.

Urgent medical care: Regardless of any strike action taking place, it is really important that patients who need urgent medical care continue to come forward as normal, especially in emergency and serious life-threatening cases – when someone is seriously ill or injured, or their life is at risk.

We are asking patients to choose services appropriately during industrial action and take simple steps to help ensure care is available to patients who need it most. This



includes using **111 online** as the first port of call for health needs, and only using 999 if it is a serious or life-threatening emergency. For more information on [when to call 999](#) and [when to go to A&E](#), you can visit the NHS UK website.

We are also asking the public to play their part during industrial action to look after themselves, loved ones and checking in on vulnerable family members and neighbours.

Travelling advice: Ahead of industrial action, please read the following advice if you are travelling to other parts of the country:

- if you're staying in England and are away from home and need a GP appointment for routine treatment, please call your own surgery. And if you need a prescription, they can send it to any pharmacy you choose.
- make sure you have enough of your prescribed medications. You can easily order repeat prescriptions via the NHS App, though your GP practice website or, if you do not have access to GP online services, by calling your GP practice.
- ensure you have a fully stocked first aid kit at home or with you. Find out what you need on the [NHS.uk website](#).