

HOW PRIVATE HOSPITALS UNDERMINE OUR NHS

The NHS should be there for all who need it, rich or poor. We all do need it at some time, though some of us will be luckier than others.

Politicians who claim that private hospitals somehow take a burden off the NHS are plain wrong. The truth is that **private hospitals actually undermine the NHS** in several ways.

- These profit-making health companies only take the most straightforward and less risky work. The more difficult and riskier work is left to the overworked and underpaid NHS staff.
- They employ clinical staff who have already been trained by the NHS at a cost of billions to the taxpayer.
- Every time the NHS sends patients to private hospitals it costs extra.

Yes OF COURSE our Company is here to support the NHS



Private health companies are just Big Business and they heavily lobby politicians – in fact many MPs hold shares in them. But they are definitely **bad news for the NHS** and an expensive drain on public resources. We find it shocking that the Labour Government now seems to be copying this disastrous policy, diverting NHS money to shareholders..

EALING'S NEW COMMUNITY DIAGNOSTIC CENTRE

We all know there is fantastic work going on in the NHS, despite the underfunding. Here in Ealing Hospital a new Community Diagnostic Centre has opened. GPs will be able to refer you and your family there directly for vital tests, checks and scans. The overcrowded A&E is to be extended too!

After all the years of campaigning to save Ealing Hospital, it's really great to see investment going ahead.

RESCUE THE PEOPLE'S NHS!

DID YOU KNOW?

- GP Surgeries are closing because of insufficient funding
- There are now thousands of experienced fully qualified GPs who can no longer find any work at GP practices.
- Pharmacies are closing because of insufficient funding.
- Dentists are refusing to treat patients on the NHS because of insufficient funding.

MEANWHILE...

Between 2020 and 2022 alone, billionaire's wealth in the UK increased by almost £150 billion. PRIVATE firms have pocketed an estimated £6.7 billion in profits on contracts paid for out of NHS budgets over the past 12 years.



WHAT THE NHS REALLY NEEDS: *Keep Our NHS Public* is calling on the Government to commit to restoring the People's NHS and to support:

1. **A publicly provided NHS** – end private involvement
2. **An NHS funded to succeed** – not defunded to fail
3. **Respect, recognition, decent pay and conditions** for all health workers
4. **Reinvestment** in public health and steadily reduce health inequalities
5. **Rebuild, restore** and expand our NHS

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