

Health unions suspend industrial action

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Health unions in England have agreed to suspend industrial action while they consult their members over a new offer from the Ministry of Health. Ten unions had planned to take action from 29 January, including both strikes and working-to-rule. It would have been the third round of action since last October. Unions are still looking at the detail of the new offer but it includes a 1% increase for all workers with changes to the bottom of the pay scale that would mean increase of 5.6% and 3.1% for the lowest paid. The dispute affects staff mainly in England but the strike planned by some staff in Northern Ireland did go ahead as the unions there didn't receive a commitment that they would get the same offer.

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