Manitoba Association of Health Care Professionals Central Table Vote Results

On August 31st 2011 after Seventy-nine of days of negotiations, a tentative agreement was reached with Manitoba Health Care Employers who participate in Central Bargaining with the MAHCP. Your MAHCP Negotiations Committee, comprised of Wendy Despins - President, Lee Manning - Executive Director and ten MAHCP members who work within the 22 MAHCP Central Table bargaining units, recommended that membership accept the tentative agreement.

Members from the 22 Central Table bargaining units had the opportunity to consider the employers' offer and vote to accept, or reject, that offer over the past two weeks. Results of those votes were tabulated with the following Province wide outcome.

Number of Eligible Voters	Number of Ballots Cast	Percentage of Member Turnout	Number of YES Ballots	Number of No Ballots	Spoiled Ballots	% IN FAVOUR
3918	1924	49.11%	1232	674	18	64.6%

The majority of members, of the Central Table bargaining units, who voted have ratified the collective agreement. The following bargaining units have new collective agreements that will run from April 1, 2010 to March 31, 2014.

Actionmarguerite (Tache)
Brandon RHA
Burntwood RHA
CancerCare - Laboratory
Community Therapy Services
Concordia Hospital
Deer Lodge Centre
Diagnostic Services Manitoba
Health Sciences Centre

Misericordia Health Centre
NorMan RHA
Rehabilitation Centre for Children
Seven Oaks General Hospital
South Eastman Health
St. Boniface General Hospital
Victoria General Hospital
WRHA - Pharmacy Program
WRHA - Corporate Program

Although approximately two-thirds of the MAHCP Central Table membership did vote to ratify the tentative agreement, there are five bargaining units that have rejected the proposed settlement. MAHCP members from those five units have already been contacted and meetings are occurring with those bargaining units to discuss the concerns they have with respect to the recommended settlement and to develop a plan to share those concerns with their employers.