



NO to attacks on our NHS. The Government plans to cut £22bn from the NHS budget by 2021. It's a political choice. Countries like France and Germany spend far MORE per head of population than we do.



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Cancer Specialist Trainee, 32*



'As a nurse, I see my colleagues go to food banks because of low pay. We can't go on like this, our profession won't survive.'

*Danielle Tiplady
Community Nurse, 30*

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NHS services – going, going, gone

The Government's plans will:

- close beds, A&Es and whole hospitals
- expect patients to 'self-care' and families to care for very sick people at home, and
- replace doctors and nurses with less qualified staff.

NHS services like cataract and hip operations, hearing aids and some medicines are already being rationed or axed altogether. Social care budgets have been slashed.

The NHS is being privatised (and yes, it matters)

The NHS in England (but not in the rest of the UK) wastes £5-10bn running a competitive system. Then it hands services over to profit-making companies, who also take a cut. Local hospital trusts are paying millions every week for construction and services provided under rip-off PFI (Private Finance Initiative) contracts.

But there is worse to come. This Government has set up new NHS partnerships that are ripe for takeover by giant healthcare corporates that manage similar organisations in the USA. *This paves the way for the NHS to become a system based on private insurance.*

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