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Help UNISON protect our NHS's future

The Student Bursary is a keystone of our NHS's future. It enables people from all walks of life to commit to the training to become one of the 500,000+ nurses, midwives, and allied health professionals of tomorrow required to keep our NHS running. That is why when George Osborne announced the end of NHS Bursaries from 2017 it was not just an attack on those who may one day wish to train to become a registered NHS professional. It was an attack on our NHS.

From August 2017 health students will be faced with graduation debts of over £51k. They will work for the NHS for half the year in unpaid placements, and most will start employment on a salary of £28k pa or less. Inevitably fewer people will be attracted to a career in nursing, midwifery and allied health professional roles. As a result our NHS will become even more dependent on expensive agency staff and overseas recruitment to keep our NHS hospital and community services running.

UNISON, the largest union representing people working in our health service, is campaigning to defend the NHS Student Bursary. **Sign our petition and join the campaign.**

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