



# Doctors Medical Center of San Pablo & Pinole

## JPA Update

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Our Union together with Local 1 and C.N.A. have been in talks with County officials to shape the final language of the Joint Powers Authority document, and we are very happy to report the passage of the final draft today!

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- On Monday, February 5, the Hospital District Board unanimously passed the JPA.
- Today, February 6, the Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors approved the JPA. This vote makes the JPA officially in place.
- We want to acknowledge the hard work and dedication that County Supervisor John Gioia, the other four members of the County Board, County Health Director, Dr. William Walker, CoCo Regional Medical Center head Dr. Jeff Smith, Pat Godley and other County Staff showed over the last few months. UHW looks forward to working with the county to rebuild our hospital.
- **DMC has some of the best healthcare workers in the country. With the newly passed JPA in place we will offer a more secure medical center for our families, patients and community.**
- Congratulations to all those who worked so hard and stood together through this crisis. There is much work to be done to solve the crisis, and to make our members whole for the wages and benefits that were taken without asking. But we have turned a corner:
- Yesterday we got a request from DMC's lawyer to meet with us in an attempt to solve as many of our wage, benefit and layoff grievance as possible before they head to arbitration.
- Our attorneys are pursuing back pay and benefits also through the bankruptcy process. Watch for an update from our lawyer later this week.