

Mandatory care vaccines 'sledgehammer to crack a nut'



GMB, the union for care workers, has described the Government's mandatory vaccine for care workers as 'taking a sledgehammer to crack a nut'

Rachel Harrison, GMB National Officer, said:

"Any remaining care staff who aren't vaccinated were dismissed effective midnight last night.

"Some will remain – those who are going through the medical exemption process have until Christmas to prove they fit the criteria for medical exemptions.



“Many unvaccinated GMB members have already left their jobs in care – often to work in the NHS where, tragically, they now face losing their jobs once again.



“Carers who have lost their jobs through being unvaccinated will have been served their notices of termination and will not be entitled to any pay offs. Some GMB members say they are struggling to apply for out of work benefits.

“The Government’s approach to mandatory vaccines in care and the NHS is like taking a sledgehammer to crack a nut.

“It’s cruel, has caused unnecessary heartache and has contributed to care’s potentially catastrophic staffing black hole.

“Instead of vilifying our care workforce , they deserve to be treated like the trained professionals they are and paid no less than £15 an hour.”

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