

WFNHP Statement on 3-2-26 Shooting at Aurora Sinai Medical Center in Milwaukee

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The Wisconsin Federation of Nurses and Health Professionals (WFNHP) does not represent the nurses or health care workers at Aurora Sinai Medical Center in Milwaukee. However, we are deeply concerned about the safety and well-being of all patients and staff following the shooting that occurred early this morning. Our hearts are with everyone affected by this violent incident, and we wish for healing and safety.

Nurses and health care workers face increasing dangers on the job, including workplace violence, physical assaults, verbal threats, and high-stress conditions that can escalate quickly.

No one who goes to work to care for others should have to fear for their own safety. Health care settings must be places of healing not environments where caregivers are placed at risk.

Workplace violence in health care is an urgent and ongoing concern nationwide. Every health care worker regardless of union representation deserves a safe and secure work environment, and every patient deserves care delivered in conditions that prioritize safety.

Union contracts play an important role in protecting workers by allowing them to raise concerns about the health and safety of their work environment without fear of retaliation. Strong safety protections, clear reporting processes, adequate staffing, and meaningful collaboration between staff and management are essential to preventing future incidents.

Our thoughts are with everyone impacted by this morning's events. We stand in solidarity with the health care community and urge continued attention to policies and practices that protect both caregivers and patients.