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<p>General wage increase April 1, 2008 – 4% April 1, 2009 – 2% April 1, 2010 – 1.5% April 1, 2011 – 2% To be applied to base rate of pay; provision for retroactive wage adjustments for current employees and retirees upon application</p>	<p>To ensure competitiveness with western Canadian health care markets</p>																											
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<p>Job evaluation Expedition of evaluation of LPN classification changes</p>	<p>Employers anticipate that evaluation of the LPN classification due to changes in education requirements will place LPNs at pay band 15</p>																											
<p>In exchange for full mitigation of overpayment issue, employers propose amending the letter of understanding with respect to the JJE maintenance plan and adding letters of understanding to deal with a backlog of outstanding issues</p>	<p>Employers are proposing to amend the JJE maintenance plan in order to streamline the maintenance process, as well as methods to deal with the outstanding issues of the 300 series jobs, bundling and outstanding maintenance files</p>																											

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<p>Article 4.05 – Return to work and duty to accommodate Language to clarify processes related to employees returning to regular duties after absence due to disability, illness or injury</p>	<p>Language to address a number of matters arising out of the process for accommodating disabled employees on a return to work program.</p>
<p>Article 5.02 – Dues checkoff Addition of clause “their job status data” and change of hours “paid” instead of hours “worked”</p>	<p>Housekeeping item. Clarification of the current process for reporting Union dues.</p>
<p>Article 6.01 – Joint union management committee Language to clarify terms of reference for the committee</p>	<p>Employer proposal which clarifies the intent and terms of reference of joint union management committees.</p>
<p>Article 6.02 – Nursing policy committee Language to clarify terms of reference for the committee</p>	<p>Employer proposal which clarifies the intent and terms of reference of nursing policy committees.</p>
<p>Article 6.03 – Other committees Addition of language for the provision of other committees</p>	<p>Allows for establishment of other committees that may be established as required by mutual agreement of the employer and union</p>
<p>Article 9.02 – Accumulation of seniority Language to clarify how seniority is accrued for part time, OTFT, casual and temporary employees on unpaid leave</p>	<p>Ensure that all employees participating in a return to work or duty to accommodate program are able to accumulate seniority equitably and in accordance with the terms of their employment.</p>
<p>Article 11.09 – Temporary vacancies Language to provide process around filling temporary vacancies</p>	<p>Provides for efficiencies by reducing the frequency of employees moving from one term position to another unless it is in the last 30 days of the temporary position currently held.</p>
<p>Article 11.10 – Casual hours of work Language to provide for procedure for offering available casual work to part time and casual employees to increase their hours</p>	<p>Provides for more efficient process to schedule part time and casual employees available casual shifts based on seniority and availability of the employee rather than calling from a list until reaching an employee who accepts the shift; provides for a meeting between the union, the employer and employees who are consistently unavailable for casual work that they have indicated in their availability form</p>

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Article 13.05 – Work schedules Housekeeping language.	Consequential language related to Article 11.10 proposal on Casual Hours of Work.
Article 13.13 – Transportation allowance Remove stale dated language (effective date of the previous agreement)	Housekeeping language
Article 13.14 – shift premiums Remove stale dated language (effective date of previous agreement)	Housekeeping language
Article 13.15 – weekend premium Remove stale dated language (effective date of previous agreement)	Housekeeping language
Article 14.03 – working on a statutory holiday Language changes to clarify how statutory holiday pay is paid to OTFT employees	Provides ability for employers to pay out statutory holiday banks for OTFT employees
Article 15.01 – General leaves of absence Language changes to permit employees to have a leave of absence for employment opportunities with employers outside the collective agreement	Employers would be able to grant or deny the leave of absence (general or for alternate employment) based on operational considerations and assist in ensuring that areas are adequately staffed
Article 15.08 – Bereavement Leave Language to include leave for a funeral or a memorial service or interment	Maximum of 4 days paid leave for bereavement
Article 16.02 – Vacation period and posting Language to provide for an option for employers whose employees do not request vacation time	The employer believes that it is important that employees take entitled vacation leave and the language establishes a process to ensure that employees take at least three weeks vacation. Provides for a pay-out of vacation provided an employee has taken at least three weeks vacation.
Article 16.05 – Accruals and credits Language to remove stale dates (effective dates of last agreement)	Housekeeping item

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Article 16.11 – Deferral of vacation credits Language to limit the number of vacation hours that can be deferred	Provides for a defined process for deferring vacation credits.
Article 18.02 – Return to previous job classification Language to address the establishment of the JJE process.	Addresses how employees returning to a previously held job classification will be paid at their previous rate or in accordance with the established JJE process upon their return.
Article 18.03 – Recognition of previous experience Language expands the current scope of the article.	Addresses how employees commencing any employment with the Employer will have previous experience recognized when determining their applicable rate of pay.
Article 19.07 – Professional fees Language to remove stale dates (effective dates of last agreement)	Housekeeping item
Article 23.0X – Outbreaks New article to provide clarity for employer and employees in the event of an outbreak in the facility	Establishment of language and process which addresses matters such as scheduling and compensation of employees in times where an outbreak is declared in a facility.
Article 23.05 – Medical examinations, immunizations and infectious disease Language to provide for paid time for OTFT employees to receive immunizations and medical examinations	Updating language to clarify the process and compensation regarding immunizations and quarantine.
Article 23.0X – Tuberculosis Compensation New article to provide for guidelines of compensation for employees contracting tuberculosis	To establish language and processes to address matters arising, such as ongoing compensation and testing, when an employee contracts tuberculosis as a result of employment.
Letter of Understanding – Apprenticeship New LOU	To establish a process to enable employers to create apprenticeship positions within the collective agreement