



Alternatives North

Alternatives North Joins National Day of Action for a new Health Accord

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Alternatives North is joining with the Canadian Health Coalition and in the March 31 National Day of Action for a new Health Accord to protect and strengthen public health care. The organizations oppose the federal government failure to negotiate a new Health Accord and instead implement health care cuts.

Alternatives North will distribute information on the Accord and post cards to be sent to federal leaders on Monday March 31 in front of the Yellowknife Post Office at noon.

March 31 is the last day a national Health Accord will ensure national health care standards across the country. The Canadian Health Coalition and Alternatives North are deeply concerned that failing to renegotiate the Health Accord will lead to a fragmentation of our national health care system, meaning access to care will depend on where you live and your ability to pay. "Health care is a national treasure and Canadians' most cherished social programme," says Canadian Health Coalition Executive Director Michael McBane. "Without a Health Accord we will lose \$36 billion in federal funds for health care, as well as an additional \$16.5 billion through the elimination of equalization."

For information on the Health Accord, see [the Canadian Health Coalition web site](#).