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# BloodLines

## BARGAINING BULLETIN

FOR OPSEU/SEFPO MEMBERS WORKING AT CANADIAN BLOOD SERVICES



My gratitude goes out to all CBS members. Your work keeping Ontario's blood supply safe during this pandemic has been vital. You keep the province running, by keeping people healthy. I know, it hasn't been easy. You've faced extremely stressful conditions on the front lines of this crisis. But you've got the full support of OPSEU/SEFPO. We'll make every resource available to ensure your success at the bargaining table.

- Warren (Smokey) Thomas, OPSEU/SEFPO President

Bargaining this round will be markedly different than any previous. Not only will caucusing and negotiating take place in a virtual format but the experience of the pandemic will no doubt greatly influence our Member's priorities. The good news is that your Bargaining team is experienced and prepared. We are determined to improve working conditions for all of our Members. With your support, as well as the support of OPSEU/SEFPO's 170,000 members, I am confident in our success.

- Geoff Cain, Bargaining Team Chair



## Your Bargaining Team

Your 2021 Bargaining Team has been elected! Meet your team:

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# Bargaining Update: Pre-bargaining Conference

On March 10, 2021, your Bargaining Team held a successful pre-bargaining conference over Zoom. Participants discussed what this round of bargaining will look like, presented the provincial bargaining survey results and the ranking of demands, and discussed a potential bargaining campaign focused on the theme of Respect.



# What's Next: Local Demand Sets

Each Local will be holding meetings by April 30, 2021 to determine their Local Demand Sets for bargaining. Following this, the Bargaining Team will meet in mid-May to review the Local Demand Sets and prepare for bargaining.

Thank you for your support. We look forward to representing you strongly at the bargaining table! Be sure to stay tuned for more information and ways you can get involved as we fight for a better, safer workplace for all CBS workers.

Follow our [Sector 19 Facebook page](#) and keep an eye on our [OPSEU/SEFPO Sector web page](#) for more information!



In solidarity,  
Your Bargaining Team

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