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Subject: IRMC Receives 10-day strike notice

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Indiana Regional Medical Center officials received a 10-day strike notice from the nurses' union this morning. The strike is set to begin on November 26 at 7 am.

"It's disappointing. We have two more negotiation sessions scheduled later this month, and we haven't even given our Last, Best, Final Offer," said IRMC spokesman, Mark Richards.

"We'd already made significant movement in our healthcare proposal. Our nurses currently pay 2.5 percent for family healthcare compared to a national benchmark of 32 percent, and that's not a sustainable model for our continued independence."

"As one of 11 remaining independent hospitals in the state (with over 100 beds), we're doing everything we can to avoid a strike, but our patients' health and safety come first and we must prepare for that possibility. The Medical Center is in the process of taking the necessary steps to ensure continuity of care and uninterrupted services for the communities we serve," said Richards.

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