

SATURDAY 4 FEBRUARY 2017

NORTH EAST MARCH AND RALLY for



**Assemble 11.45am at Framlington Place, Newcastle upon Tyne
(adjacent to RVI), and March to
Rally 1pm at Greys Monument – health service, campaign, union and
political speakers, plus live music**

Called by **Keep Our NHS Public North East** and **Peoples Assembly North East**, and organised in association with **Unite the Union** (NEYH), **Unite** (Tyneside EEES Branch), **Unison** (Northern), **North East Public Service Alliance**, **KONP Durham**, **KONP Gateshead**, **Save South Tyneside Hospital Campaign**, **999 Call for the NHS**, and other local organisations. Live music from **Bethany Elen Coyle** (North East Socialist Singers).

The NHS is now at breaking point.

The NHS is being DESTROYED – it's time for us all to take action

The proposed Sustainability and Transformation Plan (STP) forces all areas in England to make huge cuts to services to balance the books. Sustainability and Transformation Plan? We know that STP really spells out "Slash, Trash and Privatise".

Here in the North East, last year we witnessed the "temporary" closure of the in-patient ward at Rothbury Community Hospital, reduced hours at Hexham, Wansbeck and North Tyneside Urgent Care Centres, the planned reduction of walk-in centres in North Tyneside from three to one in October 2017, proposals to downgrade South Tyneside Hospital, with the immediate threat being the loss of stroke and emergency services from South Tyneside to Sunderland, and the proposed closure of either Darlington Memorial or North Tees A&E. This is but the start. Further cuts and closures are planned, and health managers now need to consult on these proposals.

Join us in making our voices heard on 4 February at 11.45am

Find out what is happening across the region, update on local Campaigns, and please remember: "The NHS will last as long as there are folk with the faith to fight for it." Bevan – founder of the NHS

*This **North East March and Rally** on Saturday 4th February 2017 is building for the **NHS National Demonstration**, which takes place in London exactly one month later on Saturday 4th March 2017 - please see www.ournhs.info for details, and contact nepeoplesassembly@gmail.com for information about coach travel. Find out more about the Keep Our NHS Public North East campaign at www.facebook.com/NHSPublicNorthEast or please make contact at konpnortheast@gmail.com*

Healthcare is a right; IT'S OUR NHS