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## 6 HOSPITALS STOP OF CODING IN SIGN OF STRIKE IN FRANCE FACING THE NEXT LAW OF SS

### LACK OF HUMAN AND FINANCIAL MEANS

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**USPA NEWS** - Since last October 10, the six largest hospitals have voted to implement the following urgent measures: suspension of meetings. Ten days later, the coding stop is effective in all the departments of six AP-HP hospitals: Robert-Debre (Paris) who was the first to take the plunge at the end of September, Saint-Louis (Paris) , Bretonneau (Paris), Bicetre (The Kremlin-Bicetre), Beaujon (Clichy) and Antoine-Beclere (Clamart). For the moment these measures concern only Paris Ile de France but provide for the extension of this movement in the province, in the rest of France. The coding consists of the computer transfer of the acts carried out within the establishments, with the health insurance.

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### FRENCH HOSPITAL PITIE - SALPETRIERE LEADS THIS MOVEMENT OF EMERGENCY ON STRIKE-----

While a rally is taking place today to obtain an increase in the budget of the hospitals, the doctors stop the computer transfer of the acts carried out within the establishments, with the health insurance. The coding judgment was also voted on in an increasing number of departments at the following hospitals: Bichat-Claude-Bernard (Paris), Pitié-Salpêtrière (Paris) \*, Georges Pompidou European Hospital (Paris), Rothschild (Paris) , Louis Mourier (Colombes), Necker (Paris), Armand-Trousseau (Paris), Paul-Brousse (Villejuif), CHU Estaing (Clermont-Ferrand), but also by all pediatric departments of Marseille (Timone and Hospital North). Yet, this is only the beginning when we know that meetings (local GA) are planned this week in several hospitals in Île-de-France and in the provinces to decide to stop the coding.-----According to the eminent Dr. Sophie Crozier, a neurologist at the Pitié-Salpêtrière and member of the CIH, "the coding stop is a political action to refuse this system that has led us to where we are today." And it seems to work if one sticks "to the recent words of the tutorships and various directions and varied that it bores. This allows to strengthen the balance of power. Dr. Crozier recalls the letter from the Director General of the AP-HP Martin Hirsch who promptly wanted to alert doctors of the consequences of non-coding in hospitals. Explaining that using private providers would result in "spending on the 2019 budget at the expense of other expenses". Before shaking the specter of declining recovery rate. Source WhatsupDoc

Indeed, it seems that the measures announced by Agnès Buzyn the Ministry of Health, in early September still do not convince the medical body (hospital caregivers) who go on strike, several voices call for a general mobilization of public health facilities. On the legislative side, today, parliamentarians will have to decide on the financing plan of Social Security in 2020. For health professionals, the account is not, quite the contrary, indicating amounts announced by the Minister of Health too inadequate to fill the gaps of hospitals both from a financial point of view than from a human resources point of view.

Seven months after the beginning of the strike initiated last March at the Saint Antoine Hospital in Paris, the anger of the caregivers is still alive and the feeling of not being heard, probably even more present. And this, despite the recent announcements of Agnès Buzyn. In fact, the 750 million put on the table by the Minister of Health do not convince the strikers, who continue to ask for additional beds for hospitalization, salary upgrades and human resources. Indeed, the Social Security Finance Bill (PLFSS) for 2020, whose text provides for an ONDAM (the objective of health expenditure) is limited to 2.3% whereas the natural progression of these expenditures would be more than order of 4.5%, according to hospital professionals. This corresponds to 4.2 billion euros of savings that will have to be found in the medical sector, and it is also possible to increase the salaries of carers and to recruit new candidates in the medical sector (Shortage of doctors and doctors). caregivers in hospitals and Elderly Housing).

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