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Cancer center project sparks protests, alleged dirty tricks

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At The Hospital of Central Connecticut, our goal is to heal.



We offer exceptional medical care and much more to the communities we serve. We provide classes and instruction to help keep individuals healthy. We educate the next generation of doctors. Ours is a long tradition of healing that goes back to 1899, when New Britain General Hospital opened, and to 1938, when Bradley Memorial Hospital began providing care.

As a 446-bed, not-for-profit medical center, we are also a business. We employ more than 3,000

dedicated staff members at both our campuses, making us the largest private employer in our region. We rely on hundreds of suppliers and contractors in the area and across the country.

In all of our business dealings, we must be highly ethical and fiscally responsible so that The Hospital of Central Connecticut will be here for future generations. While

generations. While hospital budgets are threatened by deep government cuts and profound changes in our health care system, we must still make investments that broaden and deepen the care we provide. That's why

we're building a state-of-the-art cancer center that will be fully integrated with our partners in Hartford HealthCare.

Our new building will save and dramatically improve the lives of patients with cancer. But the construction has sparked controversy,

and dramatically improve the lives of patients with cancer. Our new building will save

on similarities with other union communications from the sheet metal worker's union it seems clear that they are responsible.

As healers and citizens, we are shocked at tactics that frighten and confuse the patients and families who depend on us. We

contacted the proper authorities and they will be investigating.

The people of The Hospital of Central Connecticut provide

care and comfort to patients and families every day. They live by our core values of integrity, caring, excellence and safety. Our new cancer center will

expand the range of services and programs available right here in New Britain. It is an investment in the long-term well-being of our towns and cities and it should not be tainted by schemes that threaten the people we serve.

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pital patients have received letters that appear to come from The Hospital of Central Connecticut and threaten their homes with foreclosure. Based

we recognize their right to speak in their minds.

We believe some union leaders have taken this too far, however. Former hos-

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another?



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Patients

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