

SAVE LINCOLN MICROBIOLOGY LABORATORY



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Unite the Union is campaigning to oppose plans by United Lincolnshire Hospitals NHS Trust to close the Lincoln Microbiology Laboratory which we believe will compromise essential services and will have a far-reaching effect on the local community.

The Lincoln Microbiology Laboratory, based at the Lincoln County Hospital is vital to the local community as it tests samples for 'superbugs' such as MRSA. For over 50 years this laboratory has served the hospital and surrounding GP practices, providing a round the clock service, 365 days a year. This laboratory is of critical importance to the area and has tested over 128,000 samples in the past year alone.

If the plans go ahead, tens of thousands of samples will have to be transported over 30 miles to Scunthorpe or Boston from June this year, resulting in soaring transport costs, extra traffic for local environment. Unite is concerned that there has been no public consultation and believes the move will jeopardise the excellent speed and quality of service this lab provides.

Please contact your regional office or Steve Syson on 01332 548 424 for more copies of the postcard to send to the Chief Executive of the trust condemning its plan.

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