

It typically takes a long time to reach a first-time bargaining agreement in healthcare

528 days

That's the average amount of time it takes to reach a first-time contract between a hospital and a union. It's also the same number of days that nurses' pay, benefits, and other terms and conditions of employment must legally remain in "status quo."

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