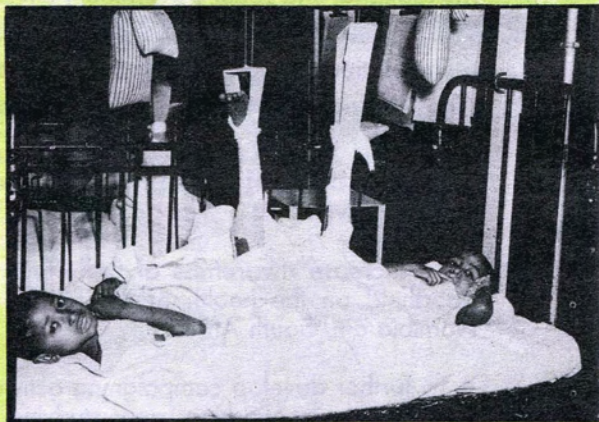


**HEALTH  
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**A ONE DAY  
CONFERENCE**

**S A T U R D A Y  
6th MAY 1989  
10.30am – 4.30pm**



**Kingsway College, Grays Inn Centre,  
Sidmouth Street, London WC1H 6JB**



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**Conference Objectives.**

Health and Liberation in South Africa and Namibia is a major conference for those people working, studying or otherwise interested in the health service.

The conference has been organised by the Trade Union and Health Committees of the Anti-Apartheid Movement and is sponsored by:

The Confederation of Health Service Employees.  
The General, Municipal, Boilermakers and Allied Trades Union.

The Health Visitors Association.  
Manufacturing Science Finance.

The National and Local Government Officers' Association.

The National Union of Public Employees.  
The Transport and General Workers Union.

**The specific objectives of the conference will be:**

- To increase awareness of the effects of apartheid on the health of the people of Namibia and South Africa.

- To further develop campaigning activities amongst those working and studying in health service in support of the struggle against apartheid.

**Agenda.**

**Morning Session**

**9.30 — 10.30am**  
**Registration**

**10.30 — 11.45am**  
**Opening plenary session with keynote speakers.**

Chair: Rachel Jewkes  
(Vice Chair AAM and AAM Health Committee).  
Rodney Bickerstaffe (General Secretary NUPE).  
National Education and Health Workers Union of South Africa.  
South West African Peoples Organisation.

**11.45 — 12.15pm**  
**Tea.**

**12.15 — 13.15pm**  
**Educational workshops.**

- (1) Women and health under apartheid.
- (2) Health in Namibia.
- (3) Trade unions in South Africa and Namibia with particular reference to health unions.
- (4) Health in rural areas.

**13.15 — 14.15pm**  
**Lunch.**

**14.15 — 15.30pm**  
**Campaign Workshops.**

- (1) Boycott Apartheid 89 and the Health Sector.
- (2) Medical Aid for Southern Africa liberation movements.
- (3) Mobilising support for the non-racial democratic trade union movement in South Africa and Namibia.
- (4) Campaigning for the release of political prisoners and detainees.
- (5) Campaigning against the recruitment of health workers for employment in South Africa and Namibia.
- (6) Ending the collaboration between professional health organisations in the UK and South Africa.

**15.30 — 15.45pm**  
**Tea.**

**15.45 — 16.30pm**  
**Final Session**

Anti-Apartheid Movement.  
African National Congress of South Africa.

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**Registration Form.**

**I/we wish to attend the Health and Liberation in South Africa and Namibia Conference.**

Registration fee — Organisations £5.  
Individuals (waged) £3 (unwaged) £2.

Name of Delegate	Address for Documentation.
1.	
Tel No:	
2.	
Tel No:	
3.	
Tel No	

A creche will be available. If you wish to take advantage of this facility please indicate the number of children and their ages:

Number of children	Aged

Registration fee enclosed: £ \_\_\_\_\_  
I wish to join/we wish to affiliate to the AAM (see over) £ \_\_\_\_\_  
Donation £ \_\_\_\_\_  
Total £ \_\_\_\_\_

(Cheques, postal orders etc. should be made payable to the Anti-Apartheid Movement).

**Return completed application forms to;  
The Trade Union Secretary, 13 Mandela Street,  
London NW1 0DW.**

**Please return forms by Friday 28th April in order that  
credentials and papers can be sent in advance.**



# Health Under Apartheid.

**S**tarvation and disease reach across the length and breadth of Southern Africa in the wake of the South African regime's apartheid policies.

3-4 children die every hour from malnutrition.

11 times more African children die before reaching their first birthday than white children.

More children die in South Africa from measles in three days than in a whole year in the United States.

**T**he apartheid cheap labour system leaves thousands of black workers disabled and dead every year. Their families live in poverty and must cope with malnutrition, preventable diseases and the physical and psychological consequences of violent State repression.

**F**or those who are ill, the health services are separate and unequal. Black people stay in squalid, overcrowded wards whilst white patients enjoy the latest high-technology medicine offered in the country which developed the heart transplant. Even ambulance and blood transfusion services are segregated in black and white. There are no wards in hospitals administered by the State which are integrated.

**B**lack hospital staff work in appalling conditions. Most of the ancillary staff are on 'temporary' contracts and may be fired on 24hrs notice even after being in a job for 20 years. Many must feed their families on wages as low as £50 per month.

**B**lack nurses work in grossly understaffed conditions. Where black nurses do work in the white hospitals they are often demoted from their previous post. Black nurses, as all black people in South Africa have no vote in the land of their birth.

**H**ealth workers in South Africa are organising. The National Education, Health and Allied Workers Union (NEHAWU), formed in 1987 has organised thousands of health workers throughout South Africa and supported them in their struggles.

**B**ut health workers are also active in the wider freedom struggle. Both SWAPO of Namibia and the African National Congress have extensive health sections administering to the needs of thousands of refugees and providing the basis for a post apartheid health service.

**H**ealth workers in Britain must support their South African and Namibian colleagues who are struggling against the inhuman system of apartheid and play their part in the liberation of South Africa and Namibia through support for the non-racial, democratic trade union movement and support for the international isolation of apartheid South Africa.

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**National Membership rates (per annum)**

- individual waged membership £10.00
- joint membership (two people at the same address) £13.00
  - students/apprentice £6.50
  - school students/pensioners/claimants/unwaged £4.50

**Affiliation rates (per annum)**

- divisional councils or regional branches £30
- local branches £15 (Scotland £20).

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**Name**

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**Branch (if affiliation)**

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**Address**

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