#### NATIONAL DAY TO DEFEND THE

# NHS

# Stop the cuts No to privatisation

## Saturday March 3rd

South Yorkshire Demonstration Sheffield

Assemble 11am Western Park (map overleaf) March to City Hall for Rally with speakers.



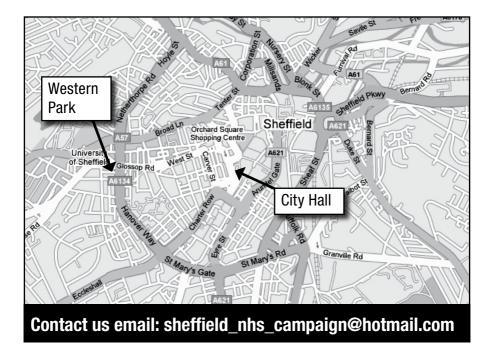












### Tony Blair has promised that 40% of NHS work will be carried out by the private sector by 2008.

What does this mean for our health service?

- GPs are forced to buy operations from Independent sector treatment centres and have to pay even when they don't do the operations. Last year Nottingham paid £3.97m for procedures in 2005 but more than £2.5m worth of operations were never performed.
- Health Visitors in Sheffield have been threatened with one third of their jobs to be cut.
- Sheffield Children's hospital is due to cut £9 million from this years' budget .
- Blood Transfusion centres are to be slashed resulting in job losses and leaving Manchester to cover the whole of the North of England.

These are just a few examples, the speed of the take over by the private sector is about to increase dramatically in the NHS and profit will come before patient care.

### MAKE YOUR VOICE HEARD AND JOIN US IN SHEFFIELD TO DEFEND OUR HEALTH SERVICE