

Funding the Future

The number of NHS beds has fallen despite the government's pledge.

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I think this [tweet and the linked report](#) in The Times from yesterday says all that we need to know about this government's attitude towards the NHS:

 **Rachel Clarke** ✓
@doctor_oxford

Breaking in @thetimes - the scandal of Sunak's much hyped 'additional' 5000 hospital beds to avert a winter crisis amounting, in fact, to 3000 *fewer* beds.

Sunak's promise was a downright lie.

He quite clearly cares not one jot about the NHS or patients' lives.

NHS hospital beds down by 3,000 despite government's winter pledge

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Kat Lay, Health Editor
Monday October 16 2023, 7.45pm, The Times

The number of hospital beds in England has fallen by almost 3,000 since ministers promised 5,000 before winter, prompting warnings that patients are being “warehoused” in emergency departments.

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Nothing this government says it will do happens.

Everything gets worse.

And the problem is, there is little prospect of change.