

**Thank you for calling Local 1262's Information Hotline. This is the latest update from President Harvey Whille as of Friday, August 4, 2023 and contains two brief messages. This hotline and other important information for our members can also be found on our website at [www.ufcw1262.org](http://www.ufcw1262.org).**

Local 1262 urges our members to contact the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) to let them know that Essential Workers like you oppose the Kroger Albertson's megamerger.

The Kroger Albertson's merger will hurt supermarket workers across the nation by reducing wages, store closings and increased food prices.

SIGNING THE PETITION takes less than a minute.

SIGN THE PETITION TODAY and let the FTC know that as a Local 1262 member you OPPOSE this megamerger.

**To sign the petition text the word MERGER to 83071.**

For more information – and links to the petition – visit our web site at [www.ufcw1262.org](http://www.ufcw1262.org).

Our second message is to remind our members who are planning to travel to take a few minutes to prepare ahead of time for emergencies by making a list of the In-Network Urgent Care Centers or Hospitals that are nearest to your destination.

You can find In-Network Providers by visiting [www.horizonblue.com](http://www.horizonblue.com), then select “search Nationally”.

Remember if you use an out-of-network provider – even when travelling – your claim may not be covered under your insurance.

As always, I thank you – our more than 20,000 members here in New Jersey and New York - for your ongoing dedication and service to your communities. It is truly an honor and privilege to serve as your president.

That concludes this hotline.

**Please ask your fellow Local 1262 Brothers and Sisters to join Local 1262's texting program.**

**Simply text UPDATES1262 to 83071.**

Concerns At Your Workplace?

Contact your Union Representative at 1-800-562-6913 (from New Jersey)

or 1-800-526-7814 (from other states).

We are here for you seven days a week.

FOR WEBSITE ADD: You can also listen to this message by calling Local 1262's Information Hotline at 888-438-1262.