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Dear Mom

And Dad,

How are you? I thought

I would write to you since I haven't seen you lately. Everything is going fairly well at work. My salary is supposed to be \$750 monthly but by the time I am through with taxes I only take home about \$550. I am supposed to get a raise pretty soon because they started me out on the lower than normal salary for an RN. All of the nursing staff is really upset with pay and working conditions here at Ukiah General. We get paid the lowest of all the three hospitals in Ukiah. They were almost having the beginnings of a strike planned but there is no way it would work because only half of the staff seems to be interested. The other half are too scared.

But they really are under-paying us.

Working in the

city an
RN there makes
\$3-5 more an hour
than we do here. So
everyone seems to be upset about that
here.

I'm continuing this now about a week later. Yesterday when we first came on to work - the buzzzer in the Intensive Care Unit went off. I was the first one in there and this 20 year old boy who had just had a tonsillectomy was having what is called laryngospasms. His larynx closed up and caused him to have these convulsions because he could not breathe - because his airway was blocked. Luckily a lot of doctors were around and they got the boy's throat open just in time because he was turning blue. Well I'll go now since it is time for work. It was good talking to you on the phone. Hope to see you sometime soon -

Love,
Annie