

2019 Supported Policies & Sponsored Legislation



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Protect the Savings of the 340B Program for Medi-Cal Fee For Service and Managed Care

The 340B prescription drug program enables Community Health Centers to stretch scarce federal resources to underserved patients and provide comprehensive services beyond the reach of the Medi-Cal program. It is a vital lifeline for safety-net providers across the state.

Strengthen Delivery of Behavioral Health

Support "SB 66 Same Day Billing" to allow Community Health Centers to bill Medi-Cal for two visits if a patient is provided mental health services on the same day they receive other medical services (primary care or dental).

Streamline Expansion of Primary Care Facilities

Support "AB 899 Streamlining Expansion of Primary Care Facilities" to give Community Health Centers the option to utilize an existing outpatient clinic or previously licensed primary care clinic to meet the growing demand for services.

Response to Emergencies

Support "AB 1494 Declared Emergencies" to allow Community Health Centers to provide care to patients through telephonic visits, in a shelter or in a patient's home, utilizing telehealth technology during a declared state of emergency.

Whole Person Care

Influence the budget for increased workforce, social determinants of health and asylum shelter funding.

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Reauthorize Health Center Funding

Support legislation to extend long term and stable funding for the Community Health Center Fund.

Recruiting, Training and Retaining the Best Workforce

Support legislation to extend long term and stable funding for the National Health Service Corps and Teaching Health Centers Programs.

Strong Medicaid Program

Preserve a strong Medicaid program and the FQHCs Prospective Payment System.

Integrated Behavioral Health and Substance Use Treatment (SUD)

Support Community Health Centers' ability to improve access to and delivery of high quality, cost effective behavioral health and SUD treatment.

Telehealth

Support Community Health Centers further utilization of telehealth services alongside sustainable reimbursement.

340B Drug Discount Pricing Program

Community Health Centers need continued, assured access to the 340B Program to sustain their essential model of care.