




**COALITION TO
PROTECT ACCESS
TO CARE**



Hospital systems and emergency rooms are critical access points for all patients in California, including those served by the Medi-Cal program. The initiative will increase rates in primary care, specialty care, ambulatory surgical facilities, and emergency rooms, making it easier for hospitals to stay open and continue serving their community.

The measure has several funding mechanisms that will support California hospitals and the inpatient and outpatient facilities that they operate.

California's healthcare system is in crisis. In rural and urban communities alike, hospitals are closing. In recent years, more than 20 California hospitals have stopped offering labor and delivery services. Emergency rooms are overrun. Patients cannot get in to see a doctor or specialist when they need.

The Coalition to Protect Access to Care, a coalition of doctors, health care workers, community health centers, Planned Parenthood, health plans and emergency responders, is supporting a ballot measure to permanently use dedicated funding to help hospitals, clinics and doctors' offices stay open.

Without raising taxes on individuals, the measure will bring more federal funds back to California and improve access to critical health care services. Specifically, the initiative would:



+ Provide funds to keep hospitals and doctors' offices open, and expand access to healthcare – without raising taxes

+ Provide more funding for primary and specialty care, mental health, expanded emergency room access, affordable prescription drugs, family planning, dental care, and to hire more healthcare workers.






+ Ensure that **healthcare dollars are actually spent on **patient care**, requiring 99% of the money raised to go to patient care while ensuring administrative expenses are limited to 1%.**



+ Expand our state's education and training to **create a pipeline of health care workers and providers, including nurses, physician assistants, dentists and medical assistants.**



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