



CALIFORNIA'S HEALTH CARE SYSTEM IS IN CRISIS: VOTE YES ON PROPOSITION 35 TO IMPROVE MEDI- CAL REIMBURSEMENTS AND EXPAND CARE FOR **ALL**

California's health care system is in crisis. Hospitals are closing. Emergency rooms are overcrowded. More than 40 hospitals have stopped offering labor and delivery services. Patients often wait months to see a doctor or specialist. Care for nearly 15 million children, seniors, disabled and low-income families on Medi-Cal is significantly underfunded. And the state has redirected more than \$30 billion in health care funding to non-health care purposes over the last 15 years.

What's more, continued challenges and disinvestment have made it increasingly harder to recruit and retain frontline health care workforce.

Proposition 35 will secure dedicated, ongoing funding—*without raising taxes*—to protect and expand patient access to Medi-Cal.

Specifically, Prop 35 will:



Provide needed resources to hospitals and health care facilities. In the first year, as much as \$1.4 billion of the annual revenue would be used to bolster hospital care, which will grow to an estimated \$2.6 billion after 2027, including emergency department services, outpatient service, public hospitals, and graduate medical education.

Prop 35 will secure hundreds of millions of dollars annually in dedicated, ongoing funding that will help hospitals alleviate crowded emergency rooms, increase inpatient psychiatric beds for both general acute care and freestanding psychiatric hospitals, and invest in designated public hospitals. Without the initiative, services will be unavailable, further reducing everyone's access to quality, timely, and affordable health care.

"Hospitals know firsthand the devastating impact of underfunding on our ability to care for our communities and our patients. Proposition 35 offers a lifeline, providing hospitals like ours with the resources to not only maintain but expand critical services that Californians need and deserve. This measure isn't just about keeping our doors open – it's about fulfilling our promise to provide quality, timely care to every member of our community. Voting yes on Prop 35 is an investment in a healthier, more resilient California."

Kerry L. Heinrich, President and CEO,
Adventist Health



Provide funding for health care workforce education and training with dedicated resources for student loan repayment funds and graduate medical education. California needs to [add](#) roughly 500,000 new allied health care professionals—such as medical assistants, imaging specialists, and other non-nursing staff—to adequately treat patients.

Prevent the state from redirecting these funds for non-health care purposes. It guarantees billions in health care dollars are spent as intended: treating patients.



Institute strong accountability provisions by capping administrative costs at 1 percent, and ensuring the remaining 99 percent is spent directly on expanding access to health care. The measure also requires ongoing independent financial audits to ensure funds are spent effectively and as intended.

Protect and improve care for all Californians by securing dedicated resources at community health clinics, hospitals, emergency rooms, primary care, family planning, mental health providers, and specialty care providers like oncologists, cardiologists and OB-GYNs. Prop 35 will also reduce emergency response times by funding first responders and paramedics.

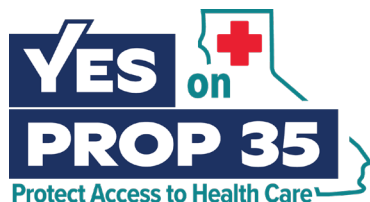


Ensure equitable access to care for the most vulnerable Californians.

Nearly 15 million children, low-income families, seniors, and persons with disabilities rely on Medi-Cal for their health coverage. And yet, a lack of adequate funding means at least 40 percent of Californians often must wait months to see primary care doctors, cardiologists, oncologists, pediatric specialists, or orthopedists.



Prop 35 has received bipartisan support from a growing coalition of physicians, dentists, hospitals, Planned Parenthood, labor unions, social justice organizations, nurses, health care workers, first responders, and community health centers. The California Democratic and Republican Parties have endorsed Prop 35 because it will improve access to health care for ALL California patients.



Learn more and join the coalition today: VoteYes35.com

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