

California Hospital Association 2022 Advocacy Agenda



1. Safeguard California's Hospitals



Strengthening the Health Care Workforce

- Supporting investments in worker retention
- Improving education and training pipelines
- Removing barriers to entry and licensure
- Enhancing quality of work environments
- And more



Preparing for Disasters

- Optimizing hospital emergency care after a disaster
- Securing permanent flexibility authority for state agencies



Recovering from COVID

- Securing more federal funds for COVID relief
- Obtaining equitable distribution of PRF funds for hard-hit areas
- Extending Medicare sequester moratorium

2. Support All Californians



Promoting Health Equity

- Addressing Medi-Cal's structural imbalance
- Creating meaningful measurement to address disparities in communities
- Expanding telehealth and broadband access
- Supporting growth of hospital-at-home concept



Making Care and Coverage More Affordable

- Protecting vital changes to the Office of Health Care Affordability
- Ensuring fairness in surprise billing regulations
- Expanding use of global budgets
- Securing coverage for undocumented individuals
- Optimizing use of interoperability for the exchange of health information

2. Support All Californians (continued)



Advancing Behavioral Health Care

- Leveraging infrastructure grants for impactful care
- Streamlining 5150 designation process
- Ensuring accountability for children's behavioral health funding
- Shaping CalAim development
- Generating a greater state role in behavioral health outcomes
- Shaping Build Back Better proposal to address behavioral health needs

3. Strengthen California's Health Care System



Empowering Health care Partnerships

- Advancing public understanding of the benefits of integration
- Executing educational efforts with legislators



Holding Insurance Companies Accountable

- Strengthening regulatory/agency enforcement
- Addressing issue of “white bagging”



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