



# CALIFORNIA DEMOCRATIC PARTY

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## SUPPORTING HEALTHCARE REFORM

**WHEREAS**, having a job and working hard no longer guarantee that we will have the health care we need when we need it; and our health care is too focused on treating sickness rather than promoting our health and wellness; and

**WHEREAS**, too many insurance and drug companies are boosting their profits while Californians are paying more for their healthcare and getting less benefits, and six million Californians have no healthcare coverage at all; and

**WHEREAS**, it is our healthcare and it is up to us to take charge of it, we remain committed to a Universal Single Payer Health Insurance System in California and passing the reforms immediately that move us closer to that goal;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that now is the time to make our healthcare work for us; and

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the California Democratic Party will support and prioritize comprehensive healthcare reforms this year that will:

- Allow all of us to get the healthcare, including oral healthcare, we need when we need it;
- Ensure that employers and government share responsibility as well as the risk with consumers;
- Establish meaningful standards for coverage so that we can all get the care we need when we need it, not just when there is a catastrophic illness;
- Limit the risk and burdens placed on individual consumers and families to protect us from being forced to buy coverage we can't afford that doesn't cover the healthcare we need;
- Control costs, while protecting benefits;
- Provide stable funding so that all of us can get the healthcare we need now and into the future;
- Support insurance reforms to control costs and allow everyone access to quality healthcare and coverage; and
- Preserve and strengthen our public hospitals, emergency services and trauma centers that we all rely upon.

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