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Anissa Davis, MD, MPH
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RE: SB 424 - Medi-Cal: California Children's Services Program

Eric Sergienko, MD, MPH
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Mariposa County

To Dr. Aragon,

Aimee Sisson, MD, MPH
Treasurer
Yolo County

On behalf of the California Conference of Local Health Officers (CCLHO), representing the appointed physician health officers of California's 61 city and county jurisdictions, we would like to provide our recommendation to **SUPPORT SB 424.**

Phuong Luu, MD, MHS, FACP
Secretary
Yuba County &
Sutter County

This bill seeks to remedy the inadequate access to health services for children Medi-Cal with significant medical conditions and/or disabilities. This bill also seeks to expand list of California Children's Services (CCS) eligible medical conditions to include in existing CCS-related regulation; and consult with CCS medical directors and experts from CCS tech advisory comm to consider additions every 5 years. In addition, the bill requires DHCS to provide financial assistance for out-of-pocket costs not covered by the child's health care coverage and for DHCS to provide annual sustainability and access grant to each CCS hospital that operates CCS special care centers.

Nicholas Moss, MD, MPH
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For these reasons, CCLHO recommends a SUPPORT position for SB 424.

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Sincerely,

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President, California Conference of Local Health Officers