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Karen L. Smith, MD, MPH Director and State Public Health Officer California Department of Public Health 1615 Capitol Avenue PO Box 997377, MS 0500 Sacramento, California 95899-7377

Re: SB 159 (Wiener): HIV: preexposure and postexposure prophylaxis

Dear Dr. Smith:

The California Conference of Local Health Officers (CCLHO) voted at the CCLHO Board meeting on April 4, 2019 to take a Support recommendation on SB 36 (Hertzberg), a bill that would authorize a pharmacist to furnish preexposure prophylaxis and post exposure prophylaxis, in specified amounts, if the pharmacist completes a training program approved by the board and complies with specified requirements, such as assessing a patient and providing a patient with counseling and tests. Because a violation of these requirements would be a crime, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.



CCLHO was established in statute in 1947 to advise the California Department of Health Services (now California Department of Public Health), other departments, boards, commissions, and officials of federal, state and local agencies, the Legislature and other organizations on all matters affecting health. CCLHO membership consists of all legally appointed physician health officers in California's 61 city and county jurisdictions.

Should you have any questions, please contact me by email at roldham@placer.ca.gov or by phone at (530) 745-3121. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Robert L. Oldham, MD, MSHA

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President, California Conference of Local Health Officers