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RE: AB 1057 - California Home Visiting Program

To Dr. Aragon,

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 AB 1057**.

This bill would expand allowable models for the federally funded California Home Visiting Programs (CHVP) from the three models currently allowed by CDPH, (Nurse Family Partnership, Health Families America, Parents as Teachers), to the 20 evidence-based models allowed by the federal government. This would give greater flexibility to local health jurisdictions receiving CHVP funds to establish programming more suitable to their populations' needs. Currently only three of the 20 federally approved evidence-based home visiting models are allowed for use in California. This legislation would expand model choice to all 20 models currently approved by the federal government, giving greater flexibility at the local level. This legislation would expand model choice to all 20 models currently approved by the federal government, giving greater flexibility at the local level to better serve their high risk perinatal populations.

For these reasons, CCLHO recommends a SUPPORT position for AB 1057.

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Sincerely,

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