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## **CAHP Issues Statement On Supreme Court Ruling Regarding 'Public Charge' Rule**

**Sacramento, CA** — The California Association of Health Plans (CAHP) today issued the following statement in response to the U.S. Supreme Court's Jan. 27 decision to lift the nationwide injunction on the Trump Administration's "public charge" rule, which would discriminate against immigrants who rely on public benefits:

"The California Association of Health Plans is disappointed in the Supreme Court's recent ruling that will allow the Trump administration's radical public charge rule to go into effect. Health care coverage for immigrants has meant increased access to primary care and vaccinations that promote healthier communities for us all. We are concerned that the public charge rule's chilling effect will prevent some from seeking the health care coverage they need to stay healthy and immune to contagious diseases.

"This could have widespread public health consequences, adversely impact the health of California residents, and disproportionately impact those with low-incomes. CAHP will continue to support efforts to fight this decision that threatens the health of millions of Californians."

A copy of the decision is available here.

For a list of immigration service providers, please click here.

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