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California Association of Health Plans Responds to Governor's May Budget Revise

Sacramento, CA – Today, the California Association of Health Plans released the following statement in response to the Governor's May revision of the 2022-2023 budget proposal:

"California's health plans are looking forward to working in partnership with the Newsom administration as we move closer than ever to achieving universal health care, by providing health coverage to all low-income Californians, regardless of their immigration status -- an effort health plans have long supported," said Charles Bacchi, President and CEO of the California Association of Health Plans.

"We applaud the \$304 million investment to extend health insurance premium assistance under Covered California for families of four earning up to \$166,500 annually, which will help make health coverage more affordable for middle-income families.

"The Governor's continued focus and additional \$290 million funding request dedicated to transforming California's behavioral health system for children and youth is more critical than ever, and California's health plans are committed to working with the administration to ensure that all of California's young people receive the behavioral health care services they need and deserve.

"The additional funding dedicated to helping to protect vulnerable populations from COVID-19, along with increased emphasis on vaccinations and therapeutics is vital and California's health plans have and will continue to be strong partners in the effort to battle COVID-19 in California.

"We look forward to building upon the progress we have made in California to promote improved health outcomes and equitable, affordable, quality care for all Californians."

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