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## **CPCA Responds to Governor Newsom's 2025-26 Budget Proposal**

**Sacramento** – California Primary Care Association's (CPCA) President and CEO, Francisco J. Silva Esq., released the following statement today in response to the Governor's 2025-2026 Budget proposal:

"In these uncertain times, CPCA commends Governor Newsom's Budget proposal for his commitment to sustaining key programs that enable community health centers to continue delivering affordable, high-quality primary and preventive healthcare to all Californians.

CPCA applauds the Governor's commitment to maintain prior-year investments, including the Medi-Cal expansion for all eligible California residents and the continuation of funding for the non-hospital clinic 340B Supplemental Payment Program. These critical funding sources have been instrumental in ensuring that health center patients are able to maintain access to care.

We also urge the Governor and the Legislature to continue supporting the Medi-Cal Health Enrollment Navigators Program. This successful initiative has been and will remain essential in advancing California's values and commitment to provide coverage for all eligible Californians, particularly for California's most vulnerable communities.

With the overwhelming support of Proposition 35 by voters, it is critical that the Governor and the Legislature prioritize its implementation and ensure that the distribution of funds aligns with the intent of the voters by maximizing investments in primary care and supporting increased patient access to care.

Community health centers serve over 7.8 million Californians—one-third of the Medi-Cal population—and are committed to delivering compassionate, culturally responsive, and comprehensive care to everyone who walks through their doors. We look forward to building on this foundation and continuing to provide timely, high-quality care to all the communities we serve."

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### **About the California Primary Care Association**

The California Primary Care Association (CPCA) represents more than 1,300 non-profit community health centers that provide care to more than 7.8 million patients each year. Community health centers (CHCs) are committed to providing comprehensive, high quality health care to everyone who walks through our doors, in a compassionate and culturally sensitive manner. CHCs include federally qualified health centers (FQHC) and FQHC look-a-likes, community clinics, free clinics, rural health clinics, migrant health centers, Indian health service clinics, and family planning clinics. Services include comprehensive primary and preventive care, women's health, dental, mental health, substance use treatment, health education, outreach and enrollment, pharmacy and more.