The Power of Pediatrician Advocates

The Social Drivers of Health: Gaps & Opportunities in Pediatrics (A Catalyst to Action)

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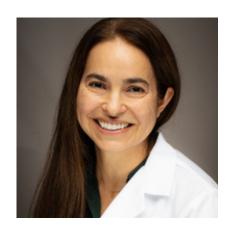
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Examples of legislation endorsed by SGA in recent years

- □ AB-85 (Weber) Social determinants of health: screening and outreach.
- → AB-2250 (Weber) Social determinants of health: screening and outreach.

Sponsored by CAFP. Would require health plans to cover screenings for SDoH by primary care providers. Would also require health plans to provide PCP access to community health workers. Passed Legislature, *vetoed by Governor* in 2023 and 2024.

□ AB-274 (Bryan) - CalWORKs: CalFresh: eligibility: income exclusions. Would exempt all student grants, loans, fellowships, or scholarships from calculations of income for the purposes of CalWORKs and CalFresh eligibility. Passed Legislature, *vetoed by Governor* in 2024.

Social Drivers of Health

CA legislation



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Legislative Bills

AAP California Chapters 1, 2, 3 and 4 advocate together on state-level issues related to children's health and well-being and the practice of pediatrics.

Our work is strictly nonpartisan, and addresses the many CA bills and budget items related to child health access and reimbursement, vaccines, mental and behavioral health, prevention of childhood injury and trauma, youth vaping, and childhood obesity, the importance of achieving racial and ethnic child health parity, and advocacy for COVID19 policies that support the public health and the viability of pediatric practices.

Below is the current list of bills that AAP-CA is advocating for/against:



Session 2023-2024: Current list of bills

Stay informed about the legislation we are following. Below is the list of all legislative initiatives currently tracked by AAP-CA in real time.

Bills are listed in alpha order of issue areas. For more information on the AAP-CA priority issues, please visit the Issues page.

For a full, up-to-date analysis, simply click on the bill number.

AAP-CA Positions 9/8/2024

















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California
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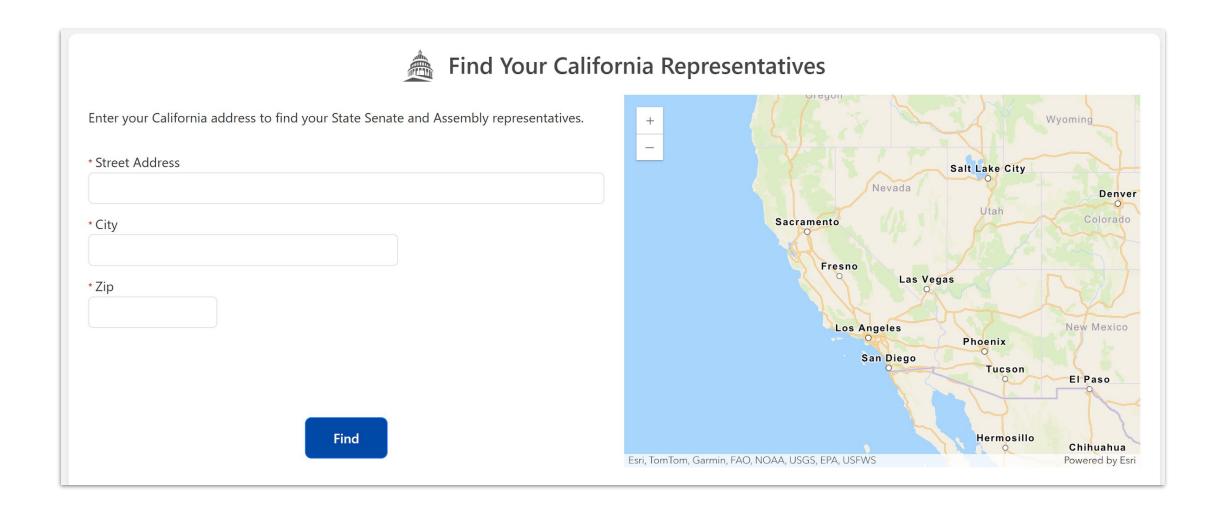
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United Ways of California

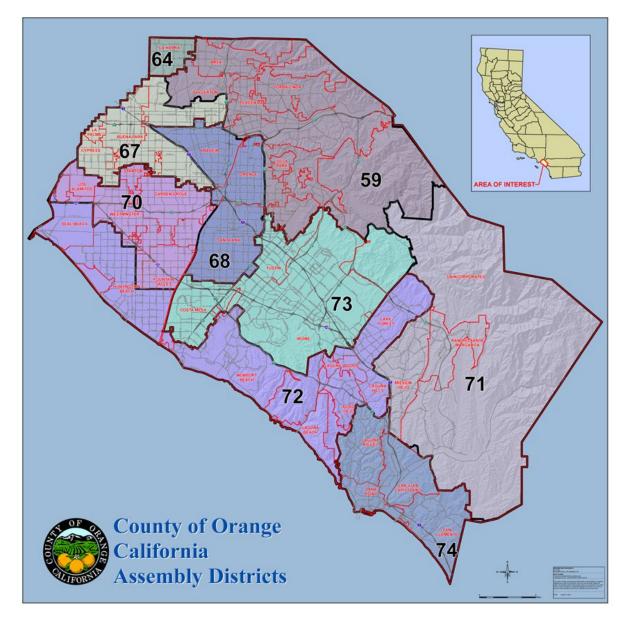
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CA State Assembly in OC - 2025



Assemblymember	District	Phone numbers
Phillip Chen	59	916-319-2059 714-529-5502
Blanca Pacheco	64	916-319-2064 562-851-5803
Sharon Quirk-Silva	67	916-319-2067 714-521-6713
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Tri Ta	70	916-319-2070 714-379-0970
Kate Sanchez	71	916-319-2071 949-459-7170
Diane Dixon	72	916-319-2072 949-798-7221
Cottie Petrie-Norris	73	916-319-2073 949-251-0074
Laurie Davies	74	916-319-2074 949-240-7300

CA State Senators in OC - 2025

State Senator	District	Phone numbers
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Tom Umberg	SD-34	916-651-4034 714-558-3785
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