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The Honorable María Durazo
California State Senate
1021 O Street, Suite 7530
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: SB 424 (Durazo) California Children’s Services Program – SUPPORT

Dear Senator Durazo,

The Health Officers Association of California (HOAC), which represents the physician health officers of California’s sixty-one city and county jurisdictions, supports your SB 424 which will codify the list of California Children’s Services (CCS)-eligible medical conditions to include those that are specified in existing regulation.

SB 424 will not only provide clarity and consistency for families, healthcare providers, and CCS administrators, it will improve access to CCS services for children with specific medical conditions that may not have been previously included, ensuring that all eligible children have access to the specialized care and services they need to manage their medical conditions. If certain medical conditions were previously excluded from the list, some children may have been unfairly denied access to CCS services based on their medical conditions.

HOAC is dedicated to promoting practices that improve the health of all Californians. For these reasons, HOAC supports SB 424 and thanks you for introducing this important measure.

Sincerely,

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Executive Director
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