

The proposed **Trailer Bill Language** (Alternate Health Care Service Plan) to approve Kaiser's no-bid Medi-Cal contract raises significant concerns for beneficiaries and the existing local safety net.

- 1** **Lack of specificity** allows for a flexible contract that can be changed over time without legislative oversight or accountability
- 2** **Grants Department of Health Care Services broad authority** to contract with Kaiser in any geographic area designated by the department without limitations
- 3** **Enacts exclusionary enrollment limitations in state statute**, yet enrollment parameters for duals is left undefined and open for interpretation
- 4** **Does not require Kaiser to be held to the same contract requirements** as all other managed care plans
- 5** **Does not cap Kaiser's growth**, significantly impacting the local safety net and countering decades of local governance enacted through state statute and local ordinances in 50 counties

About LHPC

Local Health Plans of California (LHPC) is a statewide trade association that represents all 16 of the publicly managed, not-for-profit health plans that provide access to critical and comprehensive health care services for low-income populations enrolled in California's Medicaid program, "Medi-Cal," in 36 out of 58 counties in the state. With over 8 million enrollees, our plans serve approximately 70 percent of all Medi-Cal managed care beneficiaries. Our member plans cover more lives than 49 other states' entire Medicaid programs. More [here](#).

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