



Los Angeles Area  
Chamber of Commerce

## **Statement on Public-Private Partnership Community Clinics**

Whereas, the Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce (Chamber) supports increased community clinic access throughout the County of Los Angeles (County) to provide primary and preventive care;

Whereas, community clinics are an essential component of the health care safety net, and especially vital to relieving overburdened hospitals throughout the County especially in South Los Angeles;

Whereas, the County currently faces a \$195 million to \$331 million deficit at the Department of Health Services requiring substantial budget cuts and service redirection to accommodate the shortfall;

Whereas, the Chamber endorses Public Private Partnership (PPP) as an efficient, cost-effective means to deliver primary and preventive community clinic care to underserved communities;

Whereas, the County should be applauded for allocating \$5 million of SB 474 (Kuehl) Disproportional Share Hospital Funds to strategic care initiatives in South Los Angeles as part of the “South Los Angeles Medical Services Preservation Fund”;

Therefore, the Chamber supports allocating at least \$10 million of these funds towards PPP community clinics in South Los Angeles;

Therefore, the Chamber urges the County to continue exploring PPP alternatives to the existing County-operated clinic operations;

Let it be resolved that the Chamber will work with all safety net stakeholders to advocate for a new delivery model that most effectively leverages public and private resources to provide quality care.