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To: Healthy California for All Commission

Re: the "Environmental Analysis of Health Care Delivery, Coverage, and Financing in California"

Dear Chairman Ghaly and Commissioners:

I am distressed to learn that the commission is recessed until February, 2021 given your two year mandate to plan for achieving "unified financing" to cover health care for all Californians. The addition of "Covid-19" on top of our existing failure to provide adequate health care for all Californians means that we should be doubling down on our efforts and not suspending them.

We need you to be working on a publicly-managed unified-funding mechanism to provide this care, one which is inclusive of an effective public health arm that can ensure uniform funding for a coordinated care-for-all for communicable diseases.

So much work needs to be done. Please return to it now.

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