

Dear Senators Pan and Mitchell,

I am a California Dentist and – and a Los Angeles resident – and I need you to be a champion for GMC plans. I understand there have been discussions at the State level to cut Sacramento County's GMC program in the upcoming May Budget Revise. I wish to let the decision makers know that as an active dental provider, with ## years of experience and ## patients, I urge State officials to maintain the GMC program. Although this program may have had its challenges, I can tell you, from front line experience, that **the responsiveness and assistance I receive from the dental plans is the only reason I am able and willing to continue treating these underserved patients.**

If the program is eliminated I expect to receive less reimbursement which, of course, will affect my ability see the number of patients I am currently treating. I also question how complex anesthesia and other specialty cases will be handled? I can assure you that many of these folks will end up in already overcrowded emergency rooms. Eliminating this program will not only hurt the dentists, but the patients too. Once again, I urge you to protect this program.

Sincerely,

Signature

Cc:

Assembly Member Arambula

Assembly Member Ting