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Subject: FW: ACTION NEEDED TODAY: SEND PUBLIC COMMENT TO SENATE SUBCOMMITTEE TODAY 5/22

From: Kristine.Diez <Kristine.Diez@twinriversusd.org>

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Subject: Re: ACTION NEEDED TODAY: SEND PUBLIC COMMENT TO SENATE SUBCOMMITTEE TODAY 5/22

[EXTERNAL EMAIL]

Hi Danielle,

The message below is what I sent to the Senate email address you provided us 😊
Fingers crossed and prayers for continuation of services!

Greetings,

My name is Kristine Diez, and I am a Registered, Credentialed School Nurse with the Twin Rivers Unified School District in Sacramento, California.

I AM IN OPPOSITION OF THE ELIMINATION OF THE DENTAL MANAGED CARE PROGRAM IN SAC COUNTY!

The Reasons We Need This Program To Continue:

For 14 years as a school nurse, I have personally witnessed the positive impact this program has had on large numbers of students and families attending schools I serve within the Twin Rivers Unified School District (TRUSD).

Twin Rivers is one of many Title 1 Districts in Sacramento, and I have personally witnessed students suffer from minor to serious dental issues, due to:

LACK OF ACCESS TO DENTAL CARE; INABILITY OF PARENT TO NAVIGATE THE VERY DIFFICULT AND NON-USER FRIENDLY DENTAL SYSTEMS AS PART OF THEIR MEDICAL PLANS; LACK OF TRANSPORTATION TO DENTAL OFFICE AND LACK OF MOTIVATION ON PARENT SIDE TO SCHEDULE DENTAL EXAM AND GET THEIR CHILD TO APPOINTMENT!

What have Dental Managed Care Programs Provided to Sacramento County:

These DMCs have given ALL CHILDREN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY to RECEIVE THE DENTAL CARE THEY HAVE BEEN DESPERATE to RECEIVE and are OVERDUE to RECEIVE!

STUDENTS NO LONGER HAVE TO MISS OUT ON EDUCATION DUE TO DENTAL PAIN AND UNTREATED ABSCESSSES !

PLEASE DO NOT ELIMINATE DENTAL MANAGED CARE PROGRAMS IN SACRAMENTO COUNTY!

Thank You,

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Schools Served:

Babcock
Hagginwood
Northwood
Woodridge