

CARA Alert – June 12th, 2021

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**Guaranteed
Healthcare for
Everyone**

TAKE ACTION SINGLE PAYER

JUNE 14th + 15th, 2021

FIGHTING FOR HEALTH JUSTICE
CALLING ON THE GOVERNOR TO LEAD
#GavinLeadTheWay

JUNE 14TH, 5:30PM

VIRTUAL RALLY with DOLORES HUERTA

RSVP at <https://bit.ly/RallyJune14>

JUNE 15TH, 10:30AM

10:30AM: **CAR CARAVAN**

11:00AM: **IN-PERSON RALLY**



**HEALTHY
CALIFORNIA
NOW** healthyca.org

On June 14 and 15, you have a chance to help make California the nation's first Medicare for All state.

Governor Gavin Newsom campaigned on single-payer healthcare, and the pandemic made clear - it's needed more than ever. But California can't move forward on Medicare for All without a waiver from the U.S. government.

Join with the Healthy California Now coalition for a high-pressure action to call on Governor Newsom to get that waiver.

We need you in Sacramento on June 15! [Click here to register here for the rally or car caravan at the Capitol.](#)

[Can't get to the Capitol? Click here to register for the Healthy California Now town hall on June 14 and help with our social media and call-in actions.](#)

As our friends at Courage California have reported, if you live in California, you spend an average of \$5,503 on healthcare costs a year -- and that's *with* insurance.(1) Medical costs are so out of control that 1 in 4 Californians report having trouble paying for basic life necessities because of healthcare bills.(2)

COVID-19 has shown that none of us can truly protect our own health until all of us have health care. Our health is interconnected.

It's time for healthcare that works for all of us.

The waiver is the fastest track to achieve Medicare for All in California, and all we need to get it started is a push from Governor Newsom, who campaigned as a champion for single-payer healthcare. **Please add your voice to our call to hold him to that promise.**

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[Register here for the June 14 virtual town hall.](#)

Thank you for your work to guarantee healthcare to everybody in the Golden State,

Healthy California Now

Footnotes:

1. <https://letsgethealthy.ca.gov/goals/lowering-the-cost-of-care/reducing-out-of-pocket-cost-for-healthcare/>
2. <https://laborcenter.berkeley.edu/high-out-of-pocket-costs-contribute-to-poor-access-to-care-and-financial-hardships-for-california-workers/>

PS Help us organize turn-out for the June 15th events at a phonebank this week! Register here: <https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJwuceqsrzsvE9f7WN2hYmtiYY3ER29Wpi9n>

PSS Thank you to the Courage California team for help with this email