

2019 CPA SPONSORED BILLS

[AB 565](#) (Maienschein D) Mental health workforce planning: loan forgiveness, loan repayment, and scholarship programs.

Summary: Current law establishes the Steven M. Thompson Physician Corps Loan Repayment Program (program) in the California Physician Corps Program within the Health Professions Education Foundation, which provides financial incentives, including repayment of educational loans, to a physician and surgeon who practices in a medically underserved area, as defined. Existing law establishes the Medically Underserved Account for Physicians, a continuously appropriated account, within the Health Professions Education Fund, to primarily provide funding for the ongoing operations of the program. Current law defines "practice setting," for these purposes. This bill also would define "practice setting" to include a program or facility operated by, or contracted to, a county mental health plan.

[AB 682](#) (Eggman D) Health facilities: residential mental health or substance use disorder treatment.

Summary: Would require the State Department of Public Health, in consultation with specified entities, to develop and submit a proposal to solicit a grant under the federal 21st Century Cures Act to develop a real-time, Internet-based database to collect, aggregate, and display information about the availability of beds in inpatient psychiatric facilities, crisis stabilization units, residential community mental health facilities, and licensed residential alcoholism or drug abuse recovery or treatment facilities for treatment purposes.

[AB 1031](#) (Nazarian D) Youth Substance Use Disorder Treatment and Recovery Program Act of 2019.

Summary: The current Adolescent Alcohol and Drug Treatment and Recovery Program Act of 1998, which authorized the department to establish community-based nonresidential and residential recovery programs to intervene and treat the problems of alcohol and other drug use among youth, became inoperative on July 1, 2013. This bill would repeal those inoperative provisions and would enact the Youth Substance Use Disorder Treatment and Recovery Program Act of 2019, with similar provisions to, in part, require the State Department of Health Care Services, on or before January 1, 2021, to establish community-based nonresidential and residential treatment and recovery programs to intervene and treat the problems of alcohol and drug use among youth under 21 years of age.

[SB 11](#) (Beall D) Health care coverage: mental health parity.

Summary: Would require a health care service plan and a health insurer to submit an annual report to the Department of Managed Health Care or the Department of Insurance, as appropriate, certifying compliance with state and federal mental health parity laws, as specified. The bill would require the departments to review the reports submitted by health care service plans to ensure compliance with state and federal mental health parity laws, and would require the departments to make the reports and the results of the reviews available upon request and to post the reports and the results of the reviews on the departments' Internet Web site.

[SB 596](#) (Stern D) Mental health.

Summary: The Lanterman-Petris-Short Act provides for the involuntary commitment and treatment of a person who is a danger to themselves or others or who is gravely disabled. Current law requires a person who receives evaluation or treatment pursuant to the act to be given a choice of physician or other professional person providing those services, in accordance with the policies of each agency providing those services, and within the limits of available staff in the agency. This bill would instead make that provision applicable to a person receiving both evaluation and treatment under the act.

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