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**MEDIA ALERT**

**[TITLE OF EVENT: PRESS CONFERENCE? TOUR?]**

Community Health Centers (CHCs) around the country are celebrating National Health Center Week, August 13th – 19th, with the goal of raising awareness about the mission and accomplishments of America’s Health Centers. CHCs in California are highlighting the amazing power of the Medicaid Program, also known as Medi-Cal in California, in improving the health of our 6.2 million patients, many of whom are covered by Medi-Cal. Because of CHCs, Medi-Cal, and the Affordable Care Act (ACA) uninsured rates are at an all-time low, people are healthier, and communities are healthier. Please join us at [TITLE OF EVENT] to celebrate with us!

**What:** [GIVE A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE EVENT. Is it a press conference? Tour? Ribbon cutting? Who will be in attendance? Will people be speaking? If yes, who and for how long?]

**When:** DATE & TIME

**Where:** PHYSICAL ADDRESS

**Visuals:** Will there be a podium? Speakers? Supporters with signs/banners? If it’s at the health center, will media have access to the lobby? Exam rooms? Will people be available for interviews?

**Why:** The Medicaid Expansion has proven to be one of the most important aspects of the ACA, providing comprehensive coverage to some of the most chronically ill people who have no other healthcare options. More than one-third of Californians are Medi-Cal beneficiaries and CHCs are the primary care provider to more than 54 percent of those beneficiaries in California who gained coverage under the ACA. All of this progress is being threatened at the federal level by ACA repeal legislation.

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