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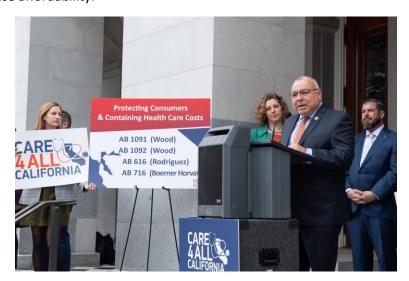
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## Assemblymember Rodriguez Joins the Care4AllCA Coalition & Other Legislative Champions to Unveil their 2023 Legislative Package

(Sacramento, CA) – This morning, Assemblymember Freddie Rodriguez (D – Pomona) spoke at a press conference led by the Care4AllCA coalition to highlight their legislative package for this year. Assemblymember Rodriguez is authoring AB 616, which is included in the coalition's package, and would remove the exemption from public disclosure for medical group financial data already collected by the Department of Managed Health Care (DMHC) and Office of Health Care Access and Information (HCAI).

"Thank you to the Care4AllCA coalition for leading this campaign to make healthcare accessible and affordable for all Californians. As a career first responder, I witnessed the disparities between different communities and their access and understanding of their healthcare. AB 616 is an effort to close the gaps in publicly accessible financial data," **stated Assemblymember Rodriguez.** 

DMHC and HCAI already collect the exemption from public disclosure for medical group financial data. Policymakers, advocates, and researchers can use the information to inform policy proposals and understand how changes impact affordability and access to care. AB 616 would remove this exemption to ensure California has a more accurate picture of what is actually driving costs in our healthcare system and increase affordability.



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Assemblymember Rodriguez (<u>Twitter</u>) represents the 53<sup>rd</sup> Assembly District which includes the cities of Chino, Montclair, Ontario, Pomona, and Upland. He is Chair of the Assembly Committee on Emergency Management.