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## MCH Access Monthly Meeting Thursday April 20, 2023

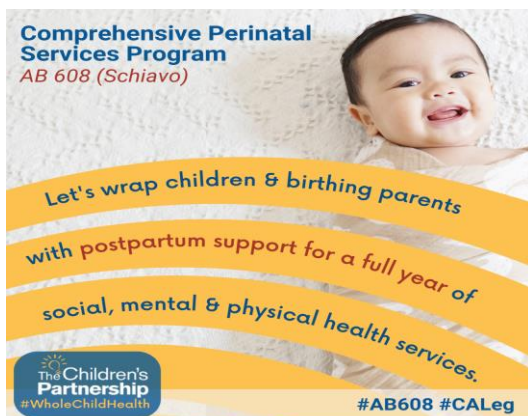
### AGENDA

1. Welcome and Agenda Review
2. Review of mailing – Medi-Cal “Unwinding”; bills of interest

### Guest Speakers

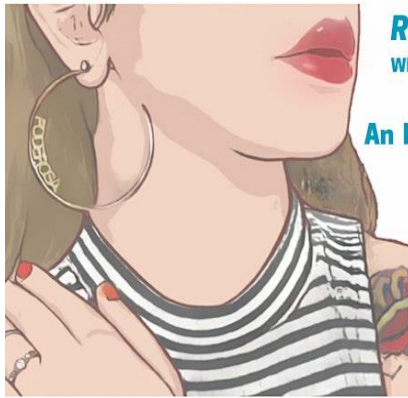
3. Maria Griglio, Managing Attorney, Children’s Law Center (CLC)- speaking on the Family Advocacy and Support Center, a new program at CLC
4. Sylvia Castillo, Director, Government + Community Affairs, Essential Access Health - What’s Happening with Mifepristone? Context and Impact in California
5. Continue with mailing review, legislation and initiatives

**Next Meeting: Thursday May 18, 10 AM – 12 noon**



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**American Lung Association** - This letter calls on CARB to adopt the In-Use Locomotive Regulation and the Advanced Clean Fleet rules. Combined, these rules are estimated to save 5,000 lives and generate nearly \$60 billion in public health benefits by cutting nitrogen oxides (NOx) and particle pollution (PM<sub>2.5</sub>) by 2050. The last day to sign on is Tuesday, April 25<sup>th</sup>. To join us, please complete [this Google form](#). We also have a separate form for [individual health professionals](#) if you or any other health professionals in your network would like to add your name in support.



**Red Lips, Hoops On, Invincible**  
Who I am and What I Wear Does Not Justify Sexual Violence

An Immersive Multi-Media Experience and  
**RUNWAY  
SHOW**

4.28.2023  
5pm to 8pm  
East Los Angeles College



<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/invinciblean-immersive-multi-media-experience-and-runway-show-tickets-615244802767>

## Denim Day 2023 is April 26th!

# There is no excuse and never an invitation to rape

**Denim Day** is a campaign on a Wednesday in April in honor of Sexual Assault Awareness Month. The campaign began after a ruling by the Italian Supreme Court where a rape conviction was overturned because the justices felt that since the victim was wearing tight jeans she must have helped the person who raped her remove her jeans, thereby implying consent. The following day, the women in the Italian Parliament came to work wearing jeans in solidarity with the victim.

Patti Giggans and Peace Over Violence developed the Denim Day campaign in response to this case and the activism surrounding it. The first Denim Day was held in 1999. Since then, what started as a local campaign to bring awareness to victim blaming and destructive myths that surround sexual violence has grown into a movement.

As the longest running sexual violence prevention and education campaign in history, Denim Day asks community members, elected officials, businesses, students, and all individuals to make a social statement with their fashion statement by wearing jeans on this day as a visible means of protest against the misconceptions that surround sexual violence.

**Let California Kids Hear Act.** Requires health plans to cover children's hearing aids, the way that 30+ states do (see factsheet attached). This proposal is in response to the implementation challenges with the DHCS-administered [Hearing Aid Coverage for Children Program](#) (HACCP). In the more than 18 months of its existence, the HACCP has benefited fewer than 200 of the estimated 7,000 children who need assistance with hearing aids, leaving many kids without timely access to the hearing aids and services that are critical for their learning and development.

It is well documented that early treatment of pediatric hearing loss by three to six months of age, can impede significant speech, language, cognitive and educational delays. "For this reason, hearing loss is considered a developmental emergency, requiring timely intervention to prevent permanent delays! In 2023, 31 states will require support for pediatric hearing aids either through

a state insurance mandate or by way of inclusion in the State's Essential Health Benefits (EHB) benchmark selection. **California is not one.**