DIALYSIS PATIENTS STRONGLY OPPOSE PROP 29 BECAUSE IT PUTS OUR LIVES AT RISK

"This is the third time a special interest has placed a proposition on the ballot putting my life and the lives of 80,000 other dialysis patients at risk. Twice, voters have overwhelmingly rejected these dangerous propositions. Please, reject Prop 29 to stop yet another dangerous dialysis proposition." – Angel De Los Santos, dialysis patient, Los Angeles

“I've been on dialysis for two years. Dialysis is literally my life support. I am so angry that one special interest is pushing a third proposition that puts my life at risk. Please, protect patients like me... again. Vote NO on 29." – Rachel Sprinkle-Strong, dialysis patient, Sacramento

PROP 29 WOULD FORCE COMMUNITY DIALYSIS CLINICS TO CUT SERVICES OR SHUT DOWN - RISKING PATIENTS' LIVES

Dialysis patients, nurses and doctors strongly oppose Prop 29. More than 80,000 Californians with failed kidneys need dialysis treatments three days a week to stay alive. Missing even a single dialysis treatment increases patients' risk of death by 30%.

Proposition 29 would force dialysis clinics to have new administrators on-site at all times - even though they would not provide direct patient care. This unnecessary requirement would cost hundreds of millions every year, forcing dialysis clinics throughout the state
to cut back services or shut down, making it harder for patients to access their treatments -- putting their lives at risk.

DIALYSIS CLINICS ARE STRICTLY REGULATED AND PROVIDE HIGH QUALITY CARE

California's dialysis clinics are regulated by federal and state agencies and have high ratings for quality care and patient satisfaction. Each dialysis patient in California is under the care of their own kidney specialist and dialysis treatments are administered by specially trained nurses and licensed technicians. It makes no sense to also require a physician administrator on site full-time who will not be involved in providing care.

PROP 29 WOULD WORSEN OUR HEALTH CARE WORKER SHORTAGE AND LEAD TO MORE EMERGENCY ROOM OVERCROWDING

“Proposition 29 would take thousands of doctors, physician assistants and nurse practitioners away from hospitals and clinics - where they’re needed - and place them into administrative jobs at dialysis clinics where they aren’t.”

- Marketa Houskova, Doctor of Nursing Practice, RN, Executive Director of American Nurses Association\California.

“Prop 29 would make our growing physician shortage even worse by taking doctors away from hospitals and clinics where they are needed, increasing wait times and reducing capacity to deal with other medical emergencies.”

- Robert E. Wailes, M.D., President, California Medical Association
ARGUMENT AGAINST
PROPOSITION 29

ANOTHER SPECIAL INTEREST ABUSE

This is the third time this special interest has placed similar dialysis measures on the ballot. Twice, California voters have overwhelmingly rejected these measures. Special interests need to respect the will of the voters and stop threatening dialysis patients' lives.

JOIN DIALYSIS PATIENTS, FAMILIES, NURSES AND DOCTORS: NO ON 29

Prop 29 opposed by:

- Tens of thousands of dialysis patients and families
- American Nurses Association \ California
- American Academy of Nephrology Physician Assistants
- Dialysis Patient Citizens, representing thousands of patients
- California Medical Association, representing 40,000 California physicians
- Emergency room doctors

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