BIG DIALYSIS CORPORATIONS WANT TO PROTECT THEIR PROFITS, NOT PATIENTS

In 2020, the California dialysis industry spent over $100 million to defeat an initiative to improve conditions for patients in dialysis clinics. Why did they spend so much? To protect their massive $561 million in profits in California in 2020.

To patients, dialysis is lifesaving. But to industry executives, it’s a huge money-maker, so they’re at it again, stoking fear by threatening to close clinics if Prop. 29 passes and they’re held accountable to higher standards. Once again they are using gravely ill dialysis patients to shield their perks and million-dollar salaries.

They claim, falsely, that the initiative will hurt patients.

They claim dialysis doctors and nurses are against it, but those are doctors and nurses on their payroll.

They say dialysis clinics are already highly regulated, but they face far fewer inspections than other health facilities, and even so, deficiencies are often uncovered.

Prop. 29 makes commonsense improvements to protect patients’ lives, like having a doctor or nurse practitioner required onsite to deal with emergencies, requiring the centers to report
infection data, ending discrimination against some patients based on the type of insurance they have, and requiring the state to approve any clinic closures so patients aren’t left without treatment.

Once and for all, Californians can protect fragile dialysis patients by voting Yes on Prop 29.

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