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UC CALIFORNIA PROGRAM ON ACCESS TO CARE (CPAC) ANNOUNCES \$237,102 IN RESEARCH GRANT AWARDS

Grants Target State-Level Health Care Reforms

In anticipation of health care reform efforts, including the implementation of the California Health Benefits Exchange, CPAC announced today it is funding six research projects that will assist state policymakers with the implementation of health care reform in California by 2014.

The CPAC grant projects are intended to uncover important health care information, and help guide California policymakers who must provide for the health needs of California's population.

The CPAC grant recipients and projects include:

- **Ken Jacobs** of UC Berkeley Center for Labor Research and Education received \$29,163 for the project entitled: *Addressing Potential Exposure to Subsidy Repayment Due to Income Volatility*.
- **Dr. Helen Lee** of the Public Policy Institute of California received \$40,000 for the project entitled: *Unauthorized Immigrants and Safety Net Resources in California*.
- **Dr. Ying-Ying Meng** of UCLA Center for Health Policy Research received \$55,000 for the project entitled: *Ensuring Access: Engaging Communities of Color in ACA*.
- **Dr. Dylan Roby** of the UCLA Center for Health Policy Research received \$52,443 for the project entitled: *Assessing Pent-Up Demand in California's Uninsured Population*.
- **Dr. Lonnie Snowden** of UC Berkeley School of Public Health received \$9,996 for the dissertation project entitled: *System-level Disparities in Mental Health Care for Racial/Ethnic Minority Children and Youth in California*.
- **Dr. Darren Urada** of UCLA Integrated Substance Abuse Programs received \$50,500 for the project entitled: *Integration of Substance Use Disorder Treatment with Primary Care in Preparation for Health Care Reform*.

Research results will be disseminated through written reports and public briefings held in Sacramento. CPAC funds research grants and dissertation grants. Grant awards range from \$10,000 to \$55,000.

Since 1998, CPAC has awarded over 100 health care grants, totaling over \$5 million, to academic and nonprofit public policy researchers located exclusively in California. CPAC-supported research focuses on health services for California's vulnerable populations, including the working poor, agricultural workers, immigrant workers, and other low-income households.

The California Program on Access to Care is an applied public service research program administered by UC Berkeley School of Public Health in the support of the University of California, Office of the President. CPAC's activities assist the state's decision makers, including legislators, executive branch officials, and government agency leaders, by providing independent research and analysis.

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