



JANUARY 2024 LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Back to session! As of January 3rd, California state legislators reconvened, and quickly following, the state budget was submitted by the governor. January 19th was the last day to submit bill requests to the Office of Legislative Counsel. Furthermore, we are closely monitoring 28 State Bills and will continue to provide monthly updates with any changes. CCUIH will submit the CA Area Office – Urban Confer Session Agenda (taking place in March) after being reviewed with CCUIH Members in early February. In January, CCUIH submitted one comment letter to the Department of Interior on E.O. 14112. CCUIH's policy team is planning for the new year with events such as Day at the Capitol in Sacramento and Washington D.C. We have also started our new policy blog that will be published in the middle of each month; the January blog is [A Policy Story in 6 Steps](#). Check the new section below on Policy Engagements, for other policy meetings attended.

STATE UPDATES

- **Governor Proposed State Budget** [FY 2024-2025 Proposed Budget Summary](#)
 - Despite budget reductions, the BH-Connect program remains level funded.
 - Behavioral Health Continuum Infrastructure Program—A delay of \$140.4 million General Fund from 2024-25 to 2025-26, for a total of \$380.7 million for the final round of grants in 2025-26. The Budget maintains \$300 million General Fund in 2023-24 and \$239.6 million General Fund in 2024-25.
- **Proposed State Budget Analysis**
 - CPEHN [State Budget Update](#)
 - CPCA has released its analysis of the FY 2024-2025 Proposed Budget focusing on CHC Impact. [CPCA FY 2024-2025 Proposed Budget Summary with CHC Impact](#)
 - California Budget & Policy Center [First Look: Understanding the Governor's 2024-25 State Budget Proposal](#)

FEDERAL UPDATES

- **E.O. 14112:** On 1/22, CCUIH staff attended a webinar on implementing E.O. 14112 “Reforming Federal Funding and Support for Tribal Nations to Better Embrace Our Trust Responsibilities and Promote the Next Era of Tribal Self-Determination”. CCUIH submitted written comments.
 - **Resource:** [Executive Order 14112](#)
 - **Potential Impact on UIOs:** May affect some UIO funding and make it easier for UIOs to access some federal program funding. We submitted a comment letter asking to ensure UIOs are not excluded from federal program opportunities with the proposed E.O.

- **NCUIH Legislative & Regulation Trackers** NCUIH tracks and monitors the development of relevant regulations and legislation, and proposed agency actions that impact Urban Indian Organizations or directly affect their operational growth, financial structure and service expansion. For detailed information, please refer to the legislation tracker on federal updates:
 - [NCUIH Leg Tracker](#)
 - [NCUIH Regulation Tracker](#)

IHS UPDATES

- **PRCDA Expansion:** On 1/11, there was a special meeting of CATAC to discuss the PRCDA Expansion; this topic for discussion will also be brought to the March CA Area IHS Urban Confer session.
 - **Resource:** [Purchased/Referred Care Delivery Areas \(PRCDA\) Counties in the United States](#)
 - **Potential Impact on UIOs:** CCUIH underscored the importance of accurate data that reflects those being served and how inaccurate numbers negatively affect UIO funding and services.
- **FY 2023 Budget to Support UIOs:** On 1/22, IHS shared the. See the DUIOLL for more information.
 - **Resource:** [DUIOLL Budget Report Support UIOs](#)
 - **Potential Impact on UIOs:** Details the funds distribution by OUIHP and IHS Area Offices. Provides transparency of the funds that have been allocated for program administration, contract, and grant awards, health information technology, and Urban Indian Health initiatives.