

## PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

## **Correspondence Received**

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			The following individuals submitted comments on agenda item:	
Agenda #	Relate To	Position	Name	Comments
Agenda # 2.	Relate To	Position Oppose	Name Monisha Parker	Comments   Dear Dr. Barbara Ferrer,   I am writing to express my concern regarding the Medicare rates for healthcare services in Los Angeles County. While I understand the need for standardized rates, the GENERALLY APPLICABLE ITEMIZED RATES seem to be significantly out of reach for many residents of our county.   I am particularly concerned about the affordability of these rates for low-income individuals and families. Many struggle to access essential healthcare due to the high cost. This disparity in access to quality healthcare is unacceptable and needs immediate attention.   I urge you to consider the following:   Review and adjust the Medicare rates to align with the actual cost of living in Los Angeles County. The current rates may be insufficient to cover the cost of care for providers, potentially leading to limited access or reduced quality of services.   Explore alternative payment models that better reflect the needs of our diverse population. This could include sliding-scale fees, community health centers, and other innovative solutions.   Implement programs and initiatives to educate individuals about available
		Item Total	1	Implement programs and initiatives to educate individuals about available resources. This could include information on subsidies, financial aid, and other avenues for affordable healthcare access. I believe that affordable healthcare is a fundamental right and a crucial component of a healthy and thriving community. I implore you to prioritize addressing the affordability concerns of Medicare rates in Los Angeles County and work towards ensuring equitable access to quality healthcare for all residents. Thank you for your time and consideration. Sincerely, Monisha Parker
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