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Agenda #	Relate To	Position	Name	Comments
54-B.		Favor	Abhinaya Narayanan	To: The Honorable Members of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors Re: Motion 54-B: Protecting Immigrants' Rights to Health Care Access (SB 81 Implementation) Dear Supervisors, My name is Dr. Abhinaya Narayanan, and I am a family physician living in Los Angeles County and working for the Department of Health Services at Harbor-UCLA Medical Center. I am writing to express my strong support for Motion 54-B: Protecting Immigrants' Rights to Health Care Access: SB 81 Implementation. While SB 81 is a critical step in protecting immigrant patients, it is not enough on its own. I urge the County to ensure that the 30-day report required under Motion 54-B includes expanded protections for patients, particularly those under ICE custody. In the wake of the current federal policy of racially profiling, rounding up, and detaining our community members, physicians have seen an influx of patients being brought into our county facilities by ICE. Violation of these individuals' privacy and legal rights is rampant. When these patients are seen in our hospitals, providers are left to demand ICE to leave patient rooms. In addition, ICE officers are routinely harassing and intimidating care team members which results in care team members being scared to assert patients' privacy and legal rights. Furthermore, physicians are facing a moral crisis as they are pressured to unsafely discharge patients into detention centers where they know they will receive no medical care, including the necessary follow-up to their medical conditions and risk their condition deteriorating or worse, their death. Thus, it is clear that we need county intervention to ensure our immigrant patients' rights are protected. First, patients must have privacy during clinical encounters, free from ICE presence or surveillance. Second, they must have access to family members and legal counsel, so they can make informed medical and legal decisions with proper support. Third, continuity of care is urgent. We know detention centers are overcrowded, provide

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Alejandro L Fernandez	Immigration status is protected health information and and ICE nor other harmful agencies should be given access to this information. ICE as an agency has already killed people via neglect of detainees medical needs in ICE detainment camps.
Ann Dorsey	
Anna Rose	I am a physician in Los Angeles and have seen the direct impact of ICE's presence. I have had to reassure patients that I will try my hardest to keep them safe as they seek help in their most vulnerable moments, even though I've seen firsthand that that is not a promise I can make. I have seen patients and providers intimidated by ICE officers while trying to provide basic care and respect basic rights to privacy. This fosters fear all the way through the healthcare system to as providers and administrators are scrambling to figure out how to protect patients and ourselves. This is why I write today in support of Motion 54-B: Protecting Immigrants' Rights to Health Care Access: SB 81 Implementation. Recognizing immigration status and place of birth as confidential medical information is a crucial step forward.
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Claire Nussbaum	My name is Claire Nussbaum, and I am a medical student working at LA General, seeing undocumented patients affected by ICE raids and ICE presence in the hospital daily. I am writing to express my strong support for Motion 54-B: Protecting Immigrants' Rights to Health Care Access: SB 81 Implementation. While SB 81 is a critical step in protecting immigrant patients, it is not enough on its own. I urge the County to ensure that the 30-day report required under Motion 54-B includes expanded protections for patients. First, patients must have privacy during clinical encounters, free from ICE presence or surveillance. Second, they must have access to family members and legal counsel, so they can make informed medical and legal decisions with proper support. Third, continuity of care is urgent. We know detention centers are overcrowded, provide limited health services, and have seen a dangerous spike in deaths. No patient should be discharged back into detention under such unsafe conditions. County health facilities should be empowered to require written assurances from ICE that timely and appropriate medical care will be provided before any patient is returned to detention. In addition, the County should enshrine the Attorney General's guidance into local policy, making its directives binding: rejecting unauthorized immigration enforcement requests, limiting unnecessary data collection, designating staff to handle ICE contacts, and training all health workers. Providers and facilities who uphold these principles must also be protected from retaliation or pushback from ICE. Finally, I urge the Board to establish a confidential reporting system for violations and to develop a strategy to bring non-county health facilities into alignment with these protections, so that care is consistent across Los Angeles County. By strengthening SB 81 implementation through Motion 54-B, the County can ensure immigrant patients—including those in ICE custody—receive care marked by dignity, privacy, and equity, while also support
Cydni Baker	
Donald Quick	It's vital that we keep patients safe and keep agents away from hospitals! Ice agents and other immigration enforcement in waiting rooms or at bedside is a health threat and needs to be stopped! In no way should healthcare be interfered by immigration enforcement efforts! Healthcare is about helping people not allowing them to be kidnapped!



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	Elizabeth Samuels	Dear Supervisors,
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	Hannah H Janeway	See attached document.
	Iman Kazah	Attached a document of my statement. Thank you.



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Isak	oella Duan	I am writing to express my strong support for Motion 54-B. Please see my letter attached.
Jac	ob Janairo	Good morning Supervisors, my name is Jacob Janairo, and I represent LA Kalusugan Collective, a grassroots community organization that aims to empower and advocate for healthy Filipino and other marginalized communities. I am speaking today in support of Motion 54-B: Protecting Immigrants' Rights to Health Care Access: SB 81 Implementation. Recognizing immigration status and place of birth as confidential medical information is a crucial step forward. But SB 81 alone is not enough. Patients brought from ICE custody to healthcare facilities face unique risks. The 30-day report must include safeguards for these patients: privacy during clinical encounters without ICE presence, and access to family and legal support so they can make informed decisions. Equally important is continuity of care. We know detention centers are overcrowded, provide limited health services, and have seen a dangerous spike in deaths. It is unacceptable to discharge patients back into such conditions without protections. Healthcare facilities should require written assurances from ICE that timely and appropriate medical care will be provided before any patient is returned to detention. We also ask that the report incorporate the Attorney General's guidance, making it binding in Los Angeles county policy, and that providers and facilities be clearly protected from ICE pushback when defending patient rights. Finally, please establish a confidential independent reporting system for violations that can be utilized by both healthcare providers and patients. By adopting these measures under Motion 54-B, Los Angeles County can set a national standard in protecting immigrant patients and supporting providers who care for them. Thank you.
Jaidee	ep Chakladar	
Kelse	y Thompson	I am a LA County DHS physician and the impact of the dear from the ICE raids is dangerously impacting our patients, making them fearful to come seek care and creating an environment where I see patients who are scared, who come later than they should, and suffer more and are sicker than they need to be.
Lau	ren Textor	My name is Lauren Textor, and I am a resident of Palms, Los Angeles and a practicing physician. As someone who is part of a network of care providers through which a family medicine physician was recently abducted by ICE while doing routine observation of ICE agents, I can attest to the urgency of this bill. This physician was beaten by ICE agents and then hospitalized, only to be taken again into their custody for days before being released, all of which was for the mere act of observing ICE agents' abuse of Los Angeles residents. I am writing to express my strong support for Motion 54-B: Protecting Immigrants' Rights to Health Care Access: SB 81 Implementation.



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Thank you for your leadership on this urgent issue.

Linda E Sharp

September 29th, 2025

To: The Honorable Members of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors

Re: Motion 54-B: Protecting Immigrants' Rights to Health Care Access (SB 81 Implementation)

Dear Supervisors,

My name is Linda Sharp and I am a medical doctor and ethicist with 20 years of hospital experience caring for LA's most vulnerable communities. I am writing to express my strong support for Motion 54-B: Protecting Immigrants' Rights to Health Care Access: SB 81 Implementation.

Right now, patients who are brought to our health facilities for medical evaluation while detained are being routinely mistreated. Due to a climate fear and intimidation, healthcare workers are being forced to comply with lawless and inhumane practices. SB 81 will provide some level of protection for our patients and health workers, although it doesn't go far enough.



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All patients, including those in civil custody, deserve access to safe, high quality and humane care. Patients have fundamental rights, including privacy during medical evaluations, access to emotional support and surrogate decision makers, and autonomy to make healthcare decisions. SB 81 and similar measures would do well to go much further to guarantee health rights more broadly for people in civil detainment.

I want to share here what I learned while working during the pandemic. I accompanied many patients in the hospital who were alone and dying without family by their side. Navigating that sterile harsh reality without family support was devastating- the fear, grief, and loneliness perhaps worse than the disease itself. I realized with new clarity that doctors and patients need family members and caregivers to heal and recover. This is so crucial- after all, families and caregivers are often the only ones who know about a person's medical conditions, what their underlying disabilities and health needs are, or how to best communicate with them. So many undocumented workers died during the pandemic. So many families lost loved ones. These same families and communities are now being targeted and disappeared by federal agents under the most inhumane and harshest conditions. What ICE is doing right now-hiding people from families, preventing health workers from involving surrogates in health decisions, intruding into private health matters and even removing patients from care against medical advice- is not only devastating and a double punishment, but it is also unsafe and illegal.

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Lyolya Hovhannisyan	To: The Honorable Members of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors Re: Motion 54-B: Protecting Immigrants' Rights to Health Care Access (SB 81 Implementation) Dear Supervisors, My name is Dr. Lyolya Hovhannisyan, and I was a resident physician at Harbor-UCLA and currently a practicing emergency medicine physician in Los Angeles. I am writing to express my strong support for Motion 54-B: Protecting Immigrants' Rights to Health Care Access: SB 81 Implementation. While SB 81 is a critical step in protecting immigrant patients, it is not enough on its own. I urge the County to ensure that the 30-day report required under Motion 54-B includes expanded protections for patients, particularly for those under ICE custody. First, patients must have privacy during clinical encounters, free from ICE presence or surveillance. Second, they must have access to family members and legal counsel, so they can make informed medical and legal decisions with proper support. Third, continuity of care is urgent. We know detention centers are overcrowded, provide limited health services, and have seen a dangerous spike in deaths. No patient should be discharged back into detention under such unsafe conditions. County health facilities should be empowered to require written assurances from ICE that timely and appropriate medical care will be provided before any patient is returned to detention. In addition, the County should enshrine the Attorney General's guidance into local policy, making its directives binding: rejecting unauthorized immigration enforcement requests, limiting unnecessary data collection, designating staff to handle ICE contacts, and training all health workers. Providers and facilities who uphold these principles must also be protected from retaliation or pushback from ICE. Finally, I urge the Board to establish a confidential reporting system for violations and to develop a strategy to bring non-county health facilities into alignment with these protections, so that care is consistent across Los Angeles Count



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	Dr. Lyolya Hovhannisyan
Matthew Hing	To:?The Honorable Members of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors Re: Motion 54-B: Protecting Immigrants' Rights to Health Care Access (SI Implementation) Dear Supervisors, My name is Matthew Hing, and I am resident of Los Angeles County in Supervisor Horvath's district, as well as a fourth year medical student at UCLA. I am writing to express my strong support for Motion 54-B: Protecti Immigrants' Rights to Health Care Access: SB 81 Implementation. This support primarily comes out of my experiences caring in our county hospit
	for some of the patients and communities who are most vulnerable right not harassment, violence, and rights infringements by ICE officials and other government agents. Myself and my co-workers have seen firsthand violating immigrant patients' rights at our county's own health institutions and demand justice and protections like the ones discussed in SB-81.
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	Thank you for your leadership on this urgent issue. Patients and providers alike are counting on you to hold ICE accountable and make our spaces for healing exactly that - spaces for healing, not harm, harassment, and



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Natalie Hernandez	Dear Supervisors, I am an emergency medicine physician, and I am writing to express my strong support for Motion 54-B: Protecting Immigrants' Rights to Health Care Access: SB 81 Implementation. While SB 81 is a critical step in protecting immigrant patients, it is not enough on its own. I urge the County to ensure that the 30-day report required under Motion 54-B includes expanded protections for patients. First, patients must have privacy during clinical encounters, free from ICE presence or surveillance. Second, they must have access to family members and legal counsel, so they can make informed medical and legal decisions with proper support. Third, continuity of care is urgent. We know detention centers are overcrowded, provide limited health services, and have seen a dangerous spike in deaths. No patient should be discharged back into detention under such unsafe conditions. County health facilities should be empowered to require written assurances from ICE that timely and appropriate medical care will be provided before any patient is returned to detention. In addition, the County should enshrine the Attorney General's guidance into local policy, making its directives binding: rejecting unauthorized immigration enforcement requests, limiting unnecessary data collection, designating staff to handle ICE contacts, and training all health workers. Providers and facilities who uphold these principles must also be protected from retaliation or pushback from ICE. Finally, I urge the Board to establish a confidential reporting system for violations and to develop a strategy to bring non-county health facilities into alignment with these protections, so that care is consistent across Los Angeles County. By strengthening SB 81 implementation through Motion 54-B, the County can ensure immigrant patients—including those in ICE custody—receive care marked by dignity, privacy, and equity, while also supporting the providers who care for them.
Sabrina Rainsbury- Silva	I support Motion 54-B: Protecting Immigrants' Rights to Health Care Access: SB 81 Implementation. Recognizing immigration status and place of birth as confidential medical information is a crucial step forward. But SB 81 alone is not enough. Patients brought from ICE custody to
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Samantha Haraguchi

Good morning Supervisors,

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Thank you.

Shamsher Samra

Sophia Wrench

Dear Supervisors,

My name is Sophia Wrench, I am a staff attorney at Public Counsel. I am writing to express my strong support for Motion 54-B. While SB 81 is a critical step in protecting immigrant patients, it is not enough on its own. I urge the



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County to ensure that the 30-day report required under Motion 54-B includes expanded protections for patients, particularly for those under ICE custody. We need a uniformed set of policies and guidelines that set a baseline for expected behavior for hospital staff so that the safety, privacy, and health of patients is not sacrificed.

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Respectfully,

Sophia Wrench Staff Attorney Public Counsel

Tiffany Fan

To:

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Dear Supervisors.

My name is Dr. Tiffany Fan, and I am an emergency medicine physician at Harbor-UCLA Medical Center, an LA County DHS site that serves a large population of low-income and immigrant patients. I am writing to express my strong support for Motion 54-B: Protecting Immigrants' Rights to Health Care Access: SB 81 Implementation.

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Tiffany Fan, MD

Emergency Physician

Veronica Velasquez

Good morning Supervisors, my name is Dr. Veronica Velasquez, and I represent LA Kalusugan. I am also a healthcare provider in as an acute care physical therapist.

I am speaking today in support of Motion 54-B: Protecting Immigrants' Rights to Health Care Access: SB 81 Implementation. Recognizing immigration status and place of birth as confidential medical information is a crucial step forward.

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Vincent Chong

Dear Supervisors,

My name is Vincent Chong and I am a resident of Culver City. I work as a physician in the County of Los Angeles and I am writing as a private citizen to express my strong support for Motion 54-B: Protecting Immigrants' Rights to Health Care Access: SB 81 Implementation.

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