

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**



**FROM:** Supervisors Ashley and Tavaglione

**SUBMITTAL DATE:** June 16, 2004

**SUBJECT:** Adoption of Resolution 2004-316 to support CalAccess: County Systems of Care

**RECOMMENDED MOTION:**

That the Board of Supervisors adopt Resolution 2004-316.

**BACKGROUND:**

We strongly recommend that the Board of Supervisors support CalAccess: County Systems of Care, a proposal that utilizes the combination of local and Federal dollars to develop a more stable mechanism of financing for county hospitals. The adoption of this resolution will accomplish that goal.



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2 **RESOLUTION 2004-316**

3 **A RESOLUTION TO**  
4 **SUPPORT CAL ACCESS: COUNTY SYSTEMS OF CARE**

5 **WHEREAS**, Riverside County Regional Medical Center and all of California's county hospitals are  
6 faced with a serious financial crisis; and

7 **WHEREAS**, the financial crisis is driven by a combination of important, but costly, community  
8 needs such as trauma services; increasing numbers of people relying on county facilities; and decreasing  
9 sources of revenues; and  
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11 **WHEREAS**, many counties have already been forced to make significant health services program  
12 reduction; and

13 **WHEREAS**, Riverside County Regional Medical Center, through a combination of internal cost  
14 reductions and efficiency improvements has, thus far, avoided such cuts; and

15 **WHEREAS**, unless innovative and proactive measures are taken to change the external  
16 environment, Riverside County Regional Medical Center will be forced to implement service cuts; and

17 **WHEREAS**, a new proposal has been developed for California Counties called "CalAccess:  
18 County Systems of Care which would creatively utilize the combination of local and Federal dollars to  
19 develop a more stable, rational, and cost effective mechanism of financing while improving quality and  
20 access; and  
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22 **WHEREAS**, the design of this program would establish a Federal Demonstration project, with  
23 Federal dollars to match local dollars thereby supporting coordination systems of county indigent care at no  
24 cost to the State;  
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26 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors of the COUNTY OF  
27 RIVERSIDE, State of California, assembled in regular session on June 22, 2004 to support CalAccess:  
28 County System of Care and actively pursue State and Federal support for this program.