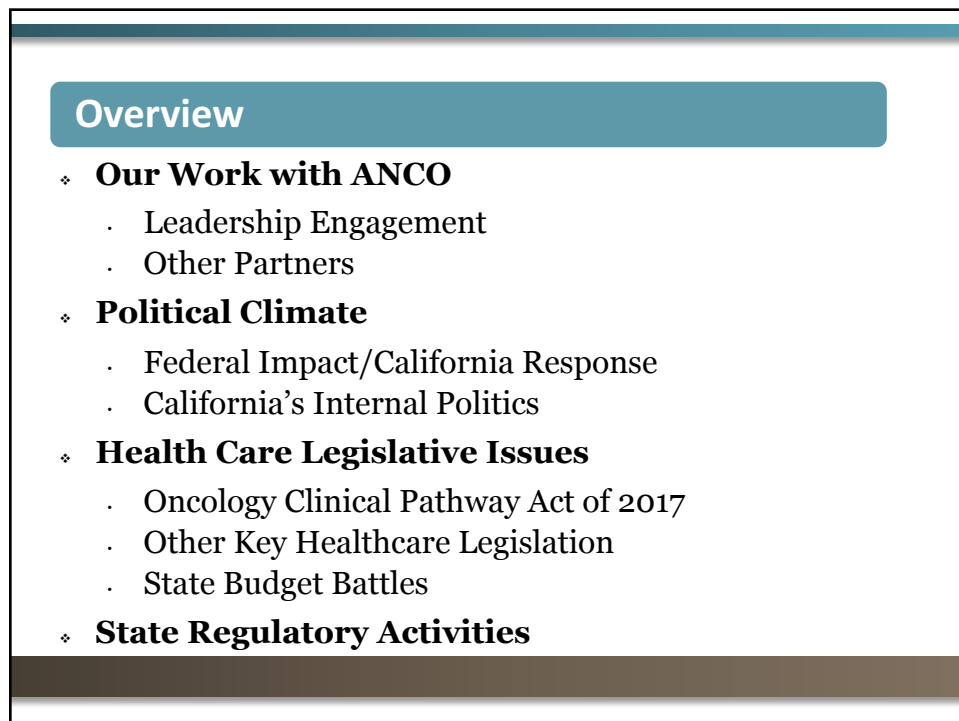




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ANCO 2017 Professional Education Meeting

Legislative/Regulatory Update
Presented by Nicette Short



Overview

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Our Work with ANCO

❖ **Leadership Engagement**

- ❖ Regular Joint Conference Calls (ANCO/MOASC)
- ❖ Regular Report at ANCO Board Meetings
- ❖ ANCO Board Retreat
- ❖ NGR Retreat
- ❖ Advising vs Decision-making

Our Work with ANCO

❖ **Leadership Engagement**

- ❖ Sponsor legislation
- ❖ Review all bills introduced and discuss relevant legislation for action
 - Support
 - Oppose
 - Seek amendments
 - Watch

Our Work with ANCO

❖ **Other Partners**

- ❖ Medical Oncology Association of Southern California
- ❖ California Medical Association
- ❖ Other medical specialties associations
- ❖ Patient organizations
- ❖ American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network
- ❖ American Society of Clinical Oncology
- ❖ Coalition Allied for Patient Protection

Political Climate

❖ **Federal Impact/CA Response**

- Trump win threw CA for a loop
- CA resistance was vocal and is ongoing
- While other issues may be priorities, everyone is worried about health care because of budget

❖ **CA's Internal Politics**

- Transportation tax and fallout
- Cap and Trade/Climate Change and fallout
- Why do we care about these non-health issues?

Health Care Legislative Issues

❖ **Oncology Clinical Pathways Act of 2017**

- ❖ **Problem to Solve:** Health plans refusing to share research and scientific rationale for plan-suggested treatment plans
- ❖ **Overview of Legislative Language:** Simple disclosure of evidence supporting pathway to in-network provider
- ❖ **Opposed** by health plans; **Supported** by some patient groups and CMA

Health Care Legislative Issues

❖ **Other Key Healthcare Legislation**

- ❖ **Single Payer/Universal Coverage**
 - Why now?
 - Overview of Legislation: What's in and what's missing
 - **Sponsored** by California Nurses Association; **Opposed** by health plans led by Kaiser
 - Status of Issue
 - Legislative Select Committee/Hearings
 - Ballot Initiative(s)

Health Care Legislative Issues

❖ **Other Key Healthcare Legislation**

❖ **Pharmaceutical Bills**

- Drug Price Transparency (SB 17, Hernandez)
- Drug Company “Gifts” to Physicians (SB 790, McGuire)
- Pharmacy Benefit Managers (AB 315, Wood)
- Opioids (SB 419, Portantino)(SB 641, Lara)(AB 40, Santiago) and others

❖ **Cancer-related** (AB 1386, Waldron)

Health Care Legislative Issues

❖ **State Budget Battles**

- ❖ **Overview:** \$183.2 billion total
- ❖ **Health Care Budget:** \$105.6 billion state spending
- ❖ **Medi-Cal Program:** 14.2 million Californians covered
- ❖ **Tobacco Tax Allocation:** \$1.3 billion/year in revenue
- ❖ **Graduate Medical Education:** Reduced state-investment

State Regulatory Activities

- ❖ **AB 72:** Out of Network Billing, *In Process*
- ❖ **Prior Authorization:** Standardized Form, *Finalized*
- ❖ **Antineoplastic Drugs:** Regulations for occupational safety and health standards for handling, *Waiting*



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