



# CALIFORNIA WOMEN'S POLICY SUMMIT 2014

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Sacramento Convention Center, Third Floor



8:00 – 9:00 **REGISTRATION**

9:00 – 10:30 **WELCOME**

Kate Karpilow, Executive Director, CCRWF

## **GENERAL SESSION: Implementing Health Care Reform – Mobilizing Women's Networks**

How can we fully mobilize women's networks to increase the number of women and families with health coverage? This plenary session will showcase a set of approaches and toolkits specifically designed to educate women about health coverage options and services available through Expanded Medi-Cal and Covered California.

### **Opening Remarks & Moderator**

**Diana S. Dooley**

Secretary, California Health and Human Services Agency

### **Presenters**

**Karen Farley**

Program Manager, California WIC Association

**Anthony Garcia**

Resource and Referral Manager, Child Action, Inc.

**Jacque Marroquin**

Education & Training Program Manager, California Partnership to End Domestic Violence (CPEDV)

**Sandra Cook**

Program Manager, Sisters with Options, Black Women for Wellness

**Maria Lemus**

Executive Director, Vision y Compromiso

**Shauna Heckert**

Executive Director, Women's Health Specialists of California

### **Voices from the 2013 Women's Policy Summit**

I sincerely appreciate that there are so many dedicated people willing to talk and teach, so that I can advocate more effectively. I am new to public advocacy so I found the day to be an amazing learning experience.

After 18 years in nonprofit social service/social justice work, I found the content to be the most focused and useful I have ever experienced. The level of information and engagement for the price is unprecedented.

The speakers were excellent, and it was reality, not rhetoric.

The focus on action plans was gratifying. I felt there was a concrete commitment to making the proposed legislation real.

This was my first policy Summit and I was absolutely blown away by the day. It ignited my passion for policy and was a direct call to action regarding the issues I am passionate about. It marked a turning point in my career.

High quality speakers, a good choice of topics, and a wonderful diversity of women as both speakers and attendees.

Exceptionally organized with a clear and inspiring message.

I loved that each session I went to had recommendations. They stated the problem, backed it up with facts, and gave solutions.

10:45 – 11:55 **MORNING WORKSHOPS**

### **Women, Poverty & Economic Empowerment**

What changes are needed in CalWORKs, California's public assistance program for families with children? How might we make the program more responsive to the self-sufficiency goals of women with children? After the 2013 passage of the ground-breaking Domestic Worker Bill of Rights, what is needed to educate workers, employers and local leaders to implement these important workplace protections? And how might we tailor workforce training and development programs to meet the needs of women and their families? Hear from leading advocates as they share next steps and strategies to lift women out of poverty.

#### *Moderator*

**Senator Holly J. Mitchell**

#### *Presenters*

**Jessica Bartholow**

Legislative Advocate, Western Center on Law & Poverty

**Katie Joaquin**

Campaign Director, California Domestic Workers Coalition, Mujeres Unidas y Activas

**Nikole Collins-Puri**

Director of Programs, Women's Foundation of California

**Melissa Jacobs**

President, California Community College CalWORKs Association

### **Paid Family Leave**

This session will provide an expert overview of California's Paid Family Leave program, with a special focus on educating professionals on the front lines of serving caregivers and new parents.

Are you an attorney who advises families about end-of-life issues, trusts, employment or family law? Are you a nurse, psychologist, or social worker who interacts with caregivers or parents?

Or are you one of the millions of Californians who has or will be a caregiver or a new parent who needs paid leave to bond with a child?

Learn how you and your clients, family and friends can access benefits through California's Paid Family Leave program.

#### *Presenters*

**Sandra O. Poole**

Associate Director of Programs, G.O.A.L.S. For Women

**Jenya Cassidy**

Project Director

California Work & Family Coalition, Next Generation

**Sharon Terman**

Senior Staff Attorney

Legal Aid Society—Employment Law Center

#### **Continuing Education Credit for Paid Family Leave Workshop**

We are delighted to announce that the Paid Family Leave workshop has been approved for 1.25 hours of Continuing Education Credit for the following professions/licensures: Attorney, Psychologist, RN, PT, MFT, LPPC, LEP and/or LCSW.

To receive Continuing Education Credit, you must be registered for the Summit and pay an additional fee of \$20 prior to January 14 or \$25 if paid onsite. Fees must be received and paid in full to receive Continuing Education Credit. To guarantee a seat at this workshop, we recommend that you register and make payment online.

For more details about Continuing Education Credit sponsorship and approvals, go to: <http://bit.ly/18mPg7R>

Note: The Paid Family Leave workshop is open to all Summit registrants, whether or not they wish to receive Continuing Education Credits.

## Health Disparities & Gender

The Centers for Disease Control defines health disparities as “preventable differences in the burden of disease, injury, violence, or opportunities to achieve optimal health that are experienced by socially disadvantaged populations.” Surprisingly, some initiatives designed to address health disparities have overlooked gender.

This panel will begin a critical conversation: How can we more consistently and rigorously assess the implications of race/ethnicity and gender in the important health disparities work that is underway? Top leaders will identify what we can do to integrate a consideration of gender into all policy, research, practice and programs.

### *Moderator*

#### **Ellen Wu**

Executive Director, California Pan-Ethnic Health Network

### *Presenters*

#### **B. Darcel Lee**

Executive Director, California Black Health Network

#### **Raquel F. Donoso**

Executive Director, Latino Community Foundation

#### **Connie Chan Robison**

Executive Director, Center for Collaborative Planning

#### **Britta Guerrero**

Chief Executive Officer, Sacramento Native American Health Center

#### **Sandra Naylor**

President & CEO, California Institute for Mental Health

12:00 – 1:30 **SUMMIT LUNCHEON**

### *Keynote Speaker*

#### **Sandra Fluke, Attorney & Social Justice Advocate**

*Reproductive Rights, Freedom & Justice:*

*A Vision for California's Future*

Welcome

**Kate Karpilow**, Executive Director, CCRWF

**Assemblywoman Bonnie Lowenthal**, Chair, Legislative Women's Caucus



***And featuring the release of a short film:***

***Documenting the Fight for Reproductive Health Services in California***

*Produced by:*

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Planned Parenthood Affiliates of California, NARAL Pro-Choice California, the California Coalition for Reproductive Freedom, California Latinas for Reproductive Justice, and Black Women for Wellness

1:45 – 3:00 **AFTERNOON WORKSHOPS**

**Title IX Compliance: Opening Doors for Girls and Young Women**

More than 40 years after the passage of Title IX, most schools and colleges are not in full compliance with this landmark federal law. This workshop will provide an overview of Title IX, with a focus on three areas – equal access to athletic opportunities, policies against sexual harassment, and prevention of discrimination against pregnant and parenting teens.

We'll describe the progress that's been made and lay out changes we need to pursue. You'll also learn about a toolkit to assess Title IX compliance and plans for a legislative hearing in May 2014.

**Moderator**

**Senator Hannah Beth Jackson**

**Presenters**

**J. Cacilia Kim**

Senior Staff Attorney, California Women's Law Center

**Elizabeth Kristen**

Director of the Gender Equity & LGBT Rights Program  
Legal Aid Society–Employment Law Center

**Alicia Hetman**

President, American Association of University Women of California

**Jennifer Reisch**

Legal Director, Equal Rights Advocates

Are you a school board member? A soccer mom or dad? A high school or college athlete or journalist?

Or perhaps you are a member of a local AAUW branch?

Join us at the Women's Policy Summit to learn more about a statewide effort to increase compliance with Title IX!!

**Reducing the Backlog of Untested Rape Kits**

Evidence collected after a sexual assault can help identify perpetrators, but thousands of rape kits are sitting in labs, evidence rooms and back offices and have never been tested. California is on the cutting edge of a national movement to ensure that every rape kit is tested in a timely manner. After an overview of the programs and policies underway in other states, this session will showcase a ground-breaking effort in Alameda County – and outline state proposals to reduce the backlog of untested rape kits throughout California.

**Moderator**

**Assemblywoman Nancy Skinner**

**Presenters**

*Survivor Stories and the National Response*

**Natasha Alexenko**, Founder, Natasha's Justice Project

*How to Reduce the Backlog in Local Crime Labs: A Case Study and Tool Kit*

**Nancy O'Malley**, District Attorney, Alameda County

*Policies and Budget Proposals for California*

**Sandra Henriquez**, Executive Director, California Coalition Against Sexual Assault (CALCASA)

## Child Care & Early Learning – Building a New Vision

This session's presenters will put forth BIG IDEAS, proposals to move us beyond a system described by many as a patchwork quilt to an integrated, sustainable system that nurtures children *and* supports working parents.

What barriers do we need to break through? What needs to change to make full-day, quality care available for low-*and* middle-income families? How can we build a trained and fairly compensated workforce?

### *Moderator*

**Senator Carol Liu**

### *Presenters*

**Ann O'Leary**

Vice President & Director, Children & Families Program  
Next Generation

**Moira Kenney**

Executive Director, First 5 Association of California

**Michael Olenick**

President and CEO, Child Care Resource Center

**Giannina Sophia Perez**

Director, Early Learning and Development Policy  
Children Now

**Mary Ignatius**

Statewide Organizer, Parent Voices

"Two major needs of families are (1) for their children to enter kindergarten ready to succeed, and (2) for their children to have sufficient hours of care while adults are working, preferably in a stable environment that provides continuity for the children. California's existing array of programs includes multiple programs designed to help meet each of these needs, but there is no system-wide effort to meet both needs simultaneously."

*California Comprehensive Early Learning Plan* (pages 8-9)

Governor's State Advisory Council  
on Early Learning and Care  
*Sacramento, 2013*

3:15 – 4:30 **CLOSING SESSION**

**Building Political Power:**

**What are we doing . . . and what else needs to happen to achieve equity?**

### *Moderator*

**Kate Karpilow**

CCRWF Executive Director

### *Presenters*

**Assemblywoman Cristina Garcia**

**Kimberly Ellis**

Executive Director, Emerge California

**Rachel Michelin**

Executive Director/CEO, California Women Lead

**Betsy Cotton**

Director, close the gap California

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## REGISTRATION FORM

### REGISTRATION DEADLINE

Summit registration closes on January 13. Register soon – seating is limited.

### HOW TO REGISTER

You can register online at [www.ccrwf.org](http://www.ccrwf.org) or by faxing or mailing in this form.

### REGISTRATION INFORMATION

You must provide all of the requested information.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
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### REGISTRATION OPTIONS

#### Early Registration (through January 8)

\_\_\_\_\_ Full Summit Registration \$89  
\_\_\_\_\_ Luncheon Only \$49  
\_\_\_\_\_ Summit & Continuing Education Credit \$109

#### Additional Support

\$\_\_\_\_\_ I am including these funds for a scholarship.

**Total Due:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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Full Summit Registration \$99  
Luncheon Only \$59  
Summit & Continuing Education Credit \$114

**Note:** Registration fees are **non-refundable**. If you are unable to attend, please donate your ticket to a colleague or contact us at [summit@ccrwf.org](mailto:summit@ccrwf.org) to provide a scholarship.

### Payment Options

#### By credit card:

Register online at [www.ccrwf.org](http://www.ccrwf.org).

#### By check:

Please make check payable to PHI/CCRWF and mail to:

Summit  
c/o Cathy Murnighan  
6503 Lincoln Ave.  
Carmichael, CA 95608

**Checks must be received by January 10th.**

#### Questions?

Contact: Cathy Murnighan  
Summit Conference Coordinator  
E-mail [Summit@ccrwf.org](mailto:Summit@ccrwf.org)  
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### Additional Support Options

Are you interested in supporting CCRWF's work? Consider a Summit sponsorship. Contact [summit@ccrwf.org](mailto:summit@ccrwf.org) for more information.

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- BreastfeedLA
- California Alternative Payment Program Association (CAPPA)
- California Association of Food Banks
- California Black Health Network
- California Black Women's Health Project
- California Breastfeeding Coalition
- California Budget Project
- California Child Care Resource and Referral Network
- California Child Development Administrators Association
- California Coalition Against Sexual Assault (CALCASA)
- California Coalition for Reproductive Freedom
- California Community Colleges CalWORKs Association
- California Council of Churches
- California Dietetic Association
- California Domestic Workers Coalition
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- California Food Policy Advocates
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- California Institute for Mental Health
- California Latinas for Reproductive Justice
- California NOW
- California Pan-Ethnic Health Network
- California Partnership
- California Partnership to End Domestic Violence
- California WIC Association
- California Women Lead
- California Women's Agenda
- California/Nevada Community Action Partnership
- Center for Collaborative Planning
- Center for WorkLife Law, UC Hastings College of the Law
- Child and Family Policy Institute of California
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- Children Now
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- Marin Women's Commission
- Mujeres Unidas
- National Health Law Program
- Next Generation
- Parent Voices
- Planned Parenthood Affiliates of CA
- Riverside County Commission for Women
- San Francisco Department on the Status of Women
- Survey Research Group, Public Health Institute
- TeenNow California
- The Insight Center for Community Economic Development
- UCSF California Childcare Health Program
- Ventura County Women's Forum Collaborative
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