

## SUMMARY OF MARCH 6 JOINT INFORMATIONAL HEARING

### Subject: Community Health Promotion and Disease Prevention

The goal of this informational hearing is to highlight the health and other benefits and cost savings associated with investing in community-wide health promotion and disease prevention. The informational hearing will also explain why it is important for the state to prioritize preventive health programs by shifting the emphasis of our current health care system away from managing disease and illness toward prevention and wellness. This informational hearing will highlight new development with federal funding for health prevention that California has received as a result of the Affordable Care Act, as well as new findings about voter opinions on prevention. Finally, this informational hearing will highlight prevention activities currently being undertaken across the state that are implementing successful strategies that aim to reduce health care costs and promote health and wellness.