

COVERED CALIFORNIA BOARD CLIPS

Apr. 1, 2025 - Apr. 30, 2025

Since our last board meeting, the media coverage includes:

- Covered California inadvertently shared sensitive consumer information with LinkedIn
- Covered California pushes for better health care with looming federal spending cuts
- ACA preventive care requirements face challenge in Supreme Court
- Medicaid cuts continue to be debated in Congress, with reports of local impacts
- CMS rule changes could shorten open enrollment period, restrict access to undocumented immigrants
- Debate heats up around extending enhanced premium subsidies

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE April 15, 2025

Covered California Welcomes Craig Cornett to Its Board of Directors

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — Craig Cornett has been named the newest member of Covered California's Board of Directors after his appointment to the board by the California Senate.

Cornett enjoyed a storied 42-year career in public and nonprofit service in California before retiring in January. He was most recently the CEO and president of the California Association of Health Facilities (CAHF), the state's largest and oldest nonprofit trade association representing the long-term care sector, from 2017 until 2025.



"Craig brings valuable experience to the board, with a long history of advancing improvements in long-term care for Californians," said Covered California Executive Director Jessica Altman. "With the headwinds ahead, his expertise and leadership working with key figures in the public and private sector will be instrumental in helping Covered California ensure that all Californians have access to high-quality health insurance. We are thrilled to have him as our newest board member."

Prior to his work with CAHF, Cornett was the budget director and chief fiscal advisor for the California Senate, a position he held under two Senate leaders, from 2008 to 2017. Over his accomplished career, he has participated in a number of initiatives to expand health care coverage and increase quality, including the implementation of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act in California, the expansion of Medi-Cal and the 2010 legislation that created the health benefit exchange that became Covered California.

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"It's an honor to be a part of this incredible organization working to make health insurance accessible to as many Californians as possible," Cornett said. "I'm excited to get to work helping the board navigate the challenges ahead, and I'm hopeful for the future of Covered California and the people of this great state."

Cornett also served four speakers of the California Assembly, from 2000 to 2008, and worked for the non-partisan California Legislative Analyst's Office for 17 years.

Cornett graduated from Washington and Lee University in Virginia and holds a master's degree in public policy from the LBJ School of Public Affairs at the University of Texas at Austin.

There is no compensation for the position, but Cornett may receive a per diem and reimbursement for travel and other necessary expenses.

About Covered California

Covered California is the state's health insurance marketplace, where Californians can find affordable, high-quality insurance from top insurance companies. Covered California is the only place where individuals who qualify can get financial assistance on a sliding scale to reduce premium costs. Consumers can then compare health insurance plans and choose the plan that works best for their health needs and budget. Depending on their income, some consumers may qualify for the low-cost or no-cost Medi-Cal program.

Covered California is an independent part of the state government whose job is to make the health insurance marketplace work for California's consumers. It is overseen by a five-member board appointed by the governor and the Legislature. For more information about Covered California, please visit <u>www.CoveredCA.com</u>.

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Covered California is reviewing the nature and extent of sensitive consumer data and information that was inadvertently shared with LinkedIn. In this review, privacy and security are the priority for us.

Covered California leverages LinkedIn's advertising platform tools, including LinkedIn Insight tags, which are pieces of code added to a website to help track how visitors interact with the site. This tool allows us to better understand consumer behavior and deliver tailored messages to help consumers make informed decisions about their health care options. The data collected from these tags are managed by Covered California credentialed users through LinkedIn's Campaign Manager platform.

While the review is still ongoing, Covered California has identified that some sensitive data was inadvertently collected by the tags, including first names, the last four digits of Social Security Numbers, and other sensitive health information like pregnancy status. To our knowledge, access to this data was limited to Covered California credentialed users for the limited purpose of managing Covered California's account.

Covered California is reviewing its entire website and information security and privacy protocols to ensure that no analytics tools are impermissibly collecting or sharing sensitive consumer information. The LinkedIn Insight tags are no longer active and, as a precautionary measure, all active advertising-related tags across the CoveredCA.com website have been turned off.

Covered California is committed to safeguarding the confidential information and privacy of its consumers. The organization will share additional findings from this investigation as they become available.

For more information and updates visit the <u>Covered California Newsroom</u>, or call (800) 300-1506.