

Biography for Joe F. Parra

Joe Parra has been a Policy Consultant with the California State Senate Republican Policy Office since December 2005. In this capacity, he advises members of the Senate Republican Caucus on health and human services issues.

Prior to joining the caucus staff, Parra directed government relations for Molina Healthcare, Inc., a multi-state managed care company specializing in government programs such as Medicaid and the Children's Health Insurance Program.

Before Molina, Parra was a gubernatorial appointee to the California Department of Corporations, at that time the state agency responsible for HMO oversight. While at Corporations, he served as the Health Plan Division's first Ombudsman and led the effort to create the state's toll-free HMO consumer helpline. He began his health policy career as the Director of Legislative Affairs for the Hospital Council of Southern California (now known as the Hospital Association of Southern California).

Joe graduated from Loyola Marymount University with a Bachelor of Business Administration Degree and has studied at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

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