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Michael Tou is Director of Government Relations for Providence Health & Services, Southern California – the second largest healthcare provider in Los Angeles County and one of the largest private employers in the region. Michael directs legislative and regulatory advocacy for Providence across the state. He works with regional leaders and experts in analyzing the impact of policy proposals, leading related advocacy, and furthering strategic partnerships.

Providence Southern California operates five award-winning acute-care medical centers in the Los Angeles area, providing a full continuum of healthcare services: Providence Saint Joseph Medical Center in Burbank, Providence Holy Cross Medical Center in Mission Hills, Providence Tarzana Medical Center, Providence Little Company of Mary Medical Centers in Torrance and San Pedro. The region also has numerous ancillary facilities including Hospice care, long-term care, Providence Medical Institute (primary and specialty care clinics), Providence High School and an affiliation with Facey Medical Group.

Providence Health & Services is a five-state, not-for-profit healthcare system with 32 acute-care facilities and over 300 clinics in Alaska, California, Montana, Oregon and Washington. Providence continues a tradition of caring that the Sisters of Providence began more than 157 years ago. The cornerstone of the Providence Mission is to provide quality care that is accessible for all – especially those who are poor and vulnerable.

Before joining Providence, Michael served for nearly twelve years as the chief policy advisor to a member of the U.S. House of Representatives, specializing in environmental, healthcare and transportation policy issues. Michael also served as an aide to a former speaker of the California State Assembly and in the White House under the Clinton administration. A native of Los Angeles, Michael earned his Master in Public Administration from the University of Southern California and a Bachelor's Degree in Political Science from California State University, Northridge.