

New Futures' Five-Point Plan for a Healthy State Budget

2021 Health & Wellness Priorities



As a public health policy and advocacy organization, it is our responsibility to educate, raise awareness, and lead policy changes to improve health equity. These five initiatives seek to address the COVID-19 pandemic, improve racial health disparities for historically marginalized groups, and ensure the health of all Granite Staters now and into the future.

1 SUPPORT PUBLIC HEALTH PROGRAMS & SERVICES

- Preserve and increase funds for local and state public health services.
- Create an equitable and no cost essential adult immunization program.

2 GROW NH'S HEALTH CARE WORKFORCE

- Invest in student loan repayment for health care professionals working in underserved areas.
- Maintain and increase funding for medically underserved areas of the state.
- Support adequate Medicaid Reimbursement rates to expand access to quality, affordable care.

3 SUSTAIN & GROW BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES

- Continue to fully finance the Alcohol Fund and Medicaid Expansion to ensure critical substance use disorder services.
- Allocating revenue from addictive products to invest in evidence-based prevention programs.
- Ensure sustainability and solvency for substance use treatment and recovery programs.

4 STRENGTHEN GRANITE STATE CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

- Protect investments in NH's Childcare Scholarship Program to ensure access to quality childcare.
- Support Family Resource Centers and Home Visiting programs to prevent and mitigate childhood trauma.

5 ENSURE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES FOR CHILDREN

- Protect investment in mobile crisis and other community-based services.
- Maintain funding to support Behavioral Health services in schools.
- Ensure access to emergency and clinically appropriate residential care for children.



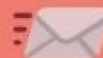
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