First State Health Leaders Alliance

2027-2028 Joint Advocacy Agenda

The First State Health Leaders Alliance advocacy agenda emphasizes that solutions for healthcare are shared, not siloed.

Strengthen the Healthcare Workforce

- Advance health workforce development to address shortages across a number of professions.
- Champion efforts to grow the workforce including strategies to address educational barriers and enhance quality of life to support recruitment.
- Create a culture of safety, free of workplace violence for health workers.

Advance Healthcare Access, Affordability and Prevention

- Advocate for prior authorization reform to ease patient access to care and reduce the burden on the health workforce.
- Pursue insurance and payer reform to increase transparency and decrease patient costs.
- Advocate for adequate reimbursement rates to ensure healthcare sustainability.
- Enhance transitions of care to improve a patient's care coordination across all health settings.
- Remove healthcare barriers and promote health literacy to ensure care for all.
- Advocate for public health and disease prevention.

Strengthen the Continuum of Care and Support Systems

- Advocate for legislation that ensures the appropriate use of artificial intelligence in the health care setting.
- Champion affordable housing solutions that support aging in place, health promotion and success, health workforce recruitment and retention, and community living for those with disabilities.
- Continue to support, encourage and endorse the continued development and utilization of Delaware specific data driven solutions across the healthcare continuum.

Engage in Regulatory Reform Efforts

- Advocate for state regulatory reform that reflects the current healthcare landscape.
- Actively participate in regulatory processes to ensure appropriate stakeholder engagement when implementing key legislation.

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