



MNACHC Guiding Legislative Principles

Ensure the financial stability of Minnesota's Primary Care Safety Net

- Maximize Medicaid reimbursement and supplemental funding.
- Increase the Health Center Appropriation to improve and expand services to low income Minnesotans.
- Ensure continuous enrollment for children to ensure positive health outcomes.

Increase health equity

- Support state investments to reduce health disparities and ensure access for all Minnesotans.
- Support innovative health care delivery models aimed at addressing social determinants of health.

Support the health care workforce

- Promote efforts to create a health care workforce that is reflective of patients.
- Address existing workforce and provider shortages in Minnesota, especially in rural Minnesota through increased compensation and flexibility in retention strategies.
- Support efforts to increase equitable access to medical education and workforce development. (supervision liaison and educators and clinical entities and administrative costs)

Provide stability for families

- Strengthen efforts to end hunger and food insecurity providing funding and flexibility for health centers to provide these services.
- Prevent domestic violence.
- Increase access to child care for families.
- Expand paid medical leave.
- Support investments into the MFIP program.
- Support continuous Medicaid eligibility.

Remove barriers to housing and employment

- Support the removal of discriminatory practices that create barriers to housing and employment stability.
- Support increased investment in methods to address unsheltered homelessness by creating options and support for affordable long-term housing with services as needed.
- Support flexibility of state programs to provide employment and training to address employment disparities.
- Support investment in a robust public transportation system and safe walking and biking paths

Invest in mental health and chemical health

- Support efforts to integrate mental health, housing, chemical health, and criminal justice interventions to ensure better outcomes through capacity building in community health centers.
- Support investment in efforts to address the state's opioid crisis, including increasing access to medication-assisted therapy.
- Remove data sharing barriers to support services across the continuum of care.
- Strengthen funding for CHC's to support mental health infrastructure.