2020 New Hampshire Public Policy Principles & Priorities

Public Policy Principles

Bi-State is committed to improving the health of New Hampshire residents. We work to ensure that all individuals have access to appropriate, high-quality, integrated primary and preventive health care regardless of insurance status or ability to pay. Integrated primary and preventive care includes behavioral health, substance use disorder treatment, and oral health services (including the dentition and surrounding oral cavity in a broader sense). Access to care is dependent on many factors, including an adequate health care workforce, discount prescription drug programs, and care coordination.

Bi-State strives to educate policymakers, non-profit leaders, and the business community on the value community health centers provide to the Granite State. We accomplish our goals by partnering with the state, health care providers, non-profit advocacy organizations, and business leaders. Bi-State supports investments that promote public health through comprehensive primary and preventive care, lower prescription drug prices, and efficiencies in New Hampshire’s health care system.

Public Policy Priorities

- Increasing investments in health care workforce development and recruitment in underserved areas;
- Expanding the adult Medicaid dental health benefit to include educational, preventive, and restorative services;
- Ensuring the success of the Granite Advantage Health Care Program as a reliable source of health insurance for low-income Granite Staters; and
- Increasing state support for integrated primary care, preventive, and reproductive health care services for our underserved populations.

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