



2021/2022 Health Forward Policy Agenda **Stakeholder Presentation** January 5, 2021









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Policy Agenda Drafting Process

Grantee/Partner Meetings Internal Input





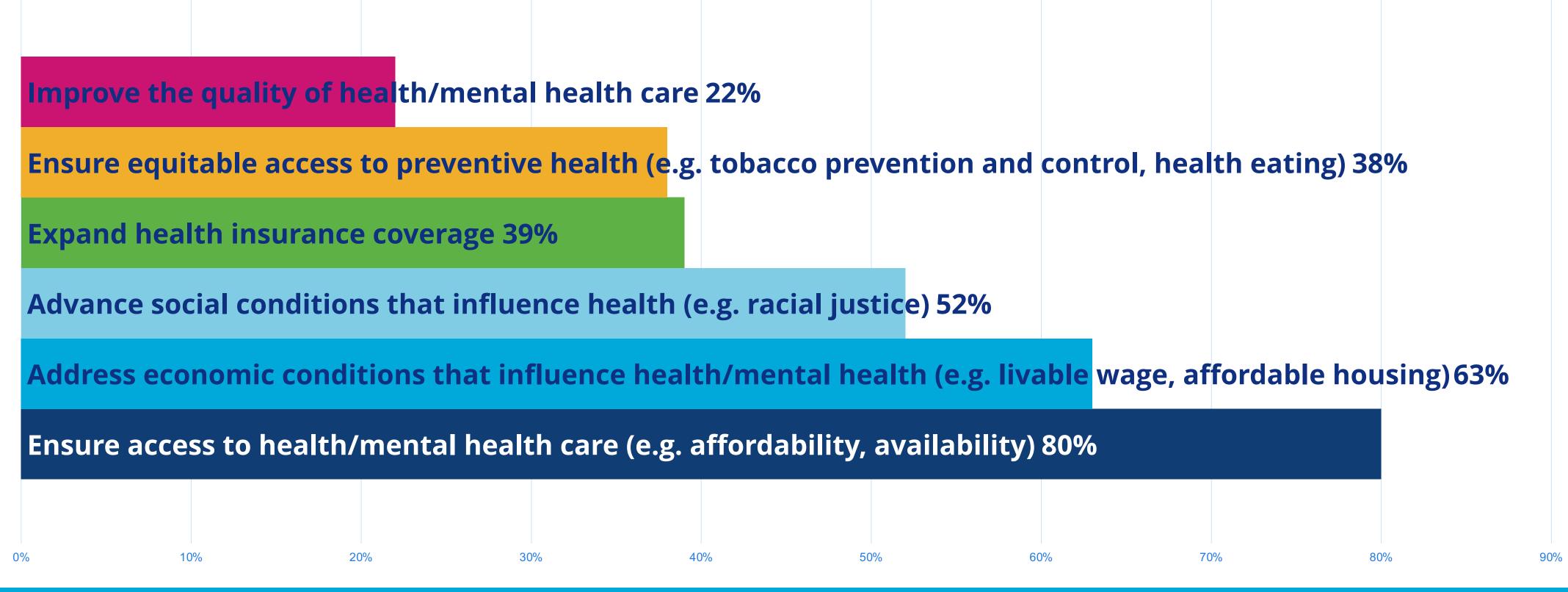
Landscape Scan of Health Funders

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CEP survey results

Of the issue areas listed below, please select up to three that you believe will





be the most important for Health Forward to focus its policy work on in order to advance health.

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2021/2022 policy agenda content

Health Forward's advocacy and policy work will take several forms:

- Educating the public, legislative and administrative officials
- Providing research and policy papers for government officials, partners, and stakeholder organizations
- Publishing opinion pieces, and providing testimony and comment on laws and regulations



- Convening policy makers, partners, and impacted communities for discussions and learning opportunities around key policy issues
- Grantmaking and technical assistance for policy and civic engagement
- Building coalitions with like-minded organizations and institutions to collectively advance shared objectives

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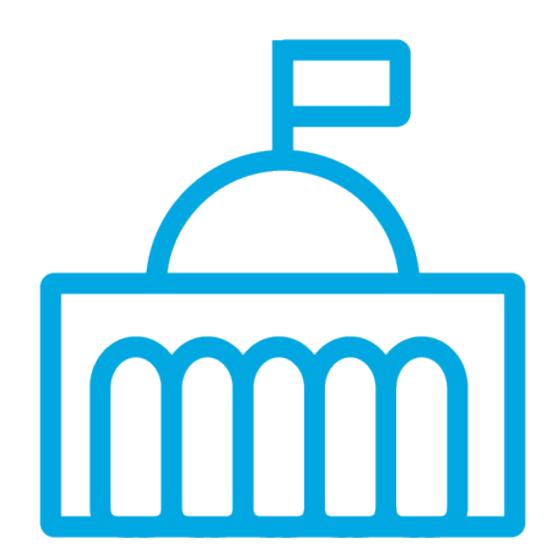


2021/2022 policy agenda content

Our advocacy and policy work will center on three goals:

- 1. Equitable access to high quality health care
- 2. Increase funding for, and improve administration of, public health infrastructure and resources
- 3. Address the social and political influencers of health that contribute to health injustices





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Missouri policy agenda

Equitable access to high quality health care

Health Forward will lead work to advance policies that will:

- Advocate for the efficient and effective implementation of Medicaid expansion pursuant to the will Missouri voters
- Support Medicaid transformation initiatives which facilitate increased health care access, improved quality, smarter spending, and bear congruence with Medicaid expansion provisions



- Catalyze, evaluate, and sustain social care integration into MOHealthNet and Medicaid Managed Care Organizations health care payment models
- Expand telehealth and telemedicine flexibility that increases access to quality care for those most in need, provides sustainable funding mechanisms for practitioners, and promotes a valuebased health care system

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Missouri policy agenda

and resources

Health Forward will lead work to advance policies that will:

- Ensure right-sized national, state, and local public health investments that support core infrastructure and services, address prevention, strengthen the public health workforce, provide treatment, and address the social influencers of health
- Ensure equitable administration and dissemination of public health resources, relief, ulletinformation, interventions, vaccinations, and treatment to mitigate health injustices by race and ethnicity, socioeconomic status, geographic location, age, and diverse-ability.
- Track and report public health data and outcomes disaggregated by race, ethnicity, and ZIP code consistently across jurisdictions, and target programs and resources in areas with the most need



Increase funding for, and improve administration of, public health infrastructure

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Missouri policy agenda

Health Forward will support advocacy initiatives and policies that will:

- Advance race and health equity in policy
- Increase broadband access and utilization in underserved rural and urban communities
- Increase economic, educational, and asset-building opportunities for communities living in \bullet under-resourced conditions
- Improve health by investing in safe and thriving communities, including the increased availability of affordable and quality housing, transportation, and economic opportunity for under-resourced communities



Address the social and political influencers of health that contribute to health injustices

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Kansas policy agenda

Equitable access to high quality health care Health Forward will lead work to advance policies that will:

Advocate for the expansion of Medicaid in Kansas ullet

- Support Medicaid transformation initiatives which facilitate increased healthcare access, improved quality, smarter spending and bear congruence with Medicaid expansion
- Catalyze social care integration into **KanCare** and Medicaid Managed Care Organizations healthcare payment models
- Expand telehealth and telemedicine flexibility that increases access to quality care for those ulletmost in need, provides sustainable funding mechanisms for practitioners, and promotes a value-based health care system



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Kansas policy agenda

and resources

Health Forward will lead work to advance policies that will:

- Ensure right-sized national, state, and local public health investments that support core infrastructure and services, address prevention, strengthen the public health workforce, provide treatment, and address the social influencers of health
- Ensure equitable administration and dissemination of public health resources, relief, information, interventions, vaccinations, and treatment to mitigate health injustices by race and ethnicity, socioeconomic status, geographic location, age, and diverse-ability.
- Track and report public health data and outcomes disaggregated by race, ethnicity, and ZIP \bullet code consistently across jurisdictions, and target programs and resources in areas with the most need



Increase funding for, and improve administration of, public health infrastructure



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Kansas policy agenda

Health Forward will support advocacy initiatives and policies that will:

- Advance race and health equity in policy
- Increase broadband access and utilization in underserved rural and urban communities
- Increase economic, educational and asset-building opportunities and for communities living ulletin under-resourced conditions
- Improve health by investing in safe and livable communities, including the increased availability of affordable and quality housing and transportation for under-resourced communities



- Address the social and political influencers of health that contribute to health injustices

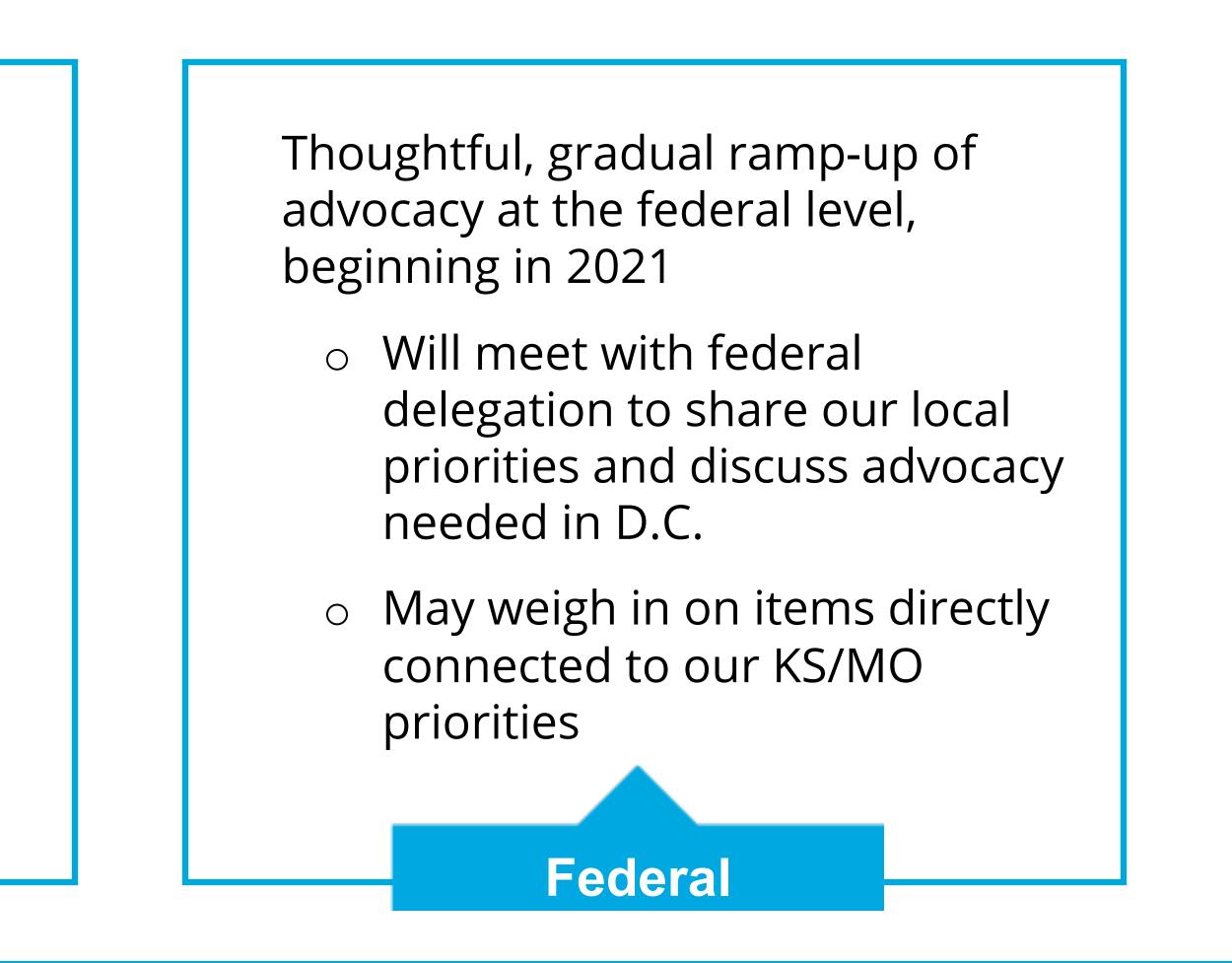


Local and federal advocacy

- Will monitor local city council proceedings for legislation connected to our priorities
- Will meet with local leaders in our service area to share our priorities
- May weigh in on items directly connected to our KS/MO priorities

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Planned Advocacy

- Policy podcast series ullet
- Meetings with new and key legislators ullet
- Policy agenda presentations to HF delegations in Topeka and Jefferson City \bullet
- Monthly policy blogs ullet
- In-district meetings with grantees and district officials •



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Legislative Updates

Missouri

Gamble & Schlemeier Katie Gamble Sammy Panettiere



Kansas

Summit Strategies Group Jennifer Crow Kerry Gooch

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Missouri

MISSOURI STATEWIDE RACES

-Governor Mike Parson +15

-LT. Governor Mike Kehoe +20

-SOS Jay Ashcroft **+23**

-Att. Gen. Eric Schmitt **+22**

-Treasurer Scott Fitzpatrick +22





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Missouri Senate

Leadership Remains the same, Conservative Caucus Grows

President Pro Tem – Dave Schatz Sullivan, MO

Majority Floor Leader – Caleb Rowden Columbia, MO

Minority Leader – John Rizzo Independence, MO

24 Republicans 10 Democrats





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Missouri House of Representatives





Significant Leadership Changes

Speaker – Rob Vescovo, Arnold, MO

Majority Floor Leader- Dean Plocher, St. Louis

Minority Floor Leader – Crystal Quade *Springfield, MO*

115 Republican48 Democrats

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Missouri Ballot Initiatives

AUGUST 2020

- Medicaid Expansion Passed!
- Governor placed on August ballot advantageous to passage in retrospect

NOVEMBER 2020 - Surprises

- attorney general. The amendment failed by garnering only 48% of the vote.
- amendment narrowly prevailed with 51% of the vote.







• Amendment 1 sets a two-term limit for lieutenant governor, secretary of state, state auditor, and

• Amendment 3 addresses the redistricting process and criteria, lobbying, and campaign finance. This



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Missouri 2020 Legislative Recap

Things that didn't cross the finish line likely take priority

- Education Reform Charter School Expansion
- COVID Liability (abandoned in Special Session)
- Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (Rehder now in Senate)
- Wayfair Fix







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2021 Missouri Legislative Session

- Budget
 - State Revenue Woes
- Medicaid Expansion Implementation
- Initiative Petition Process Changes
- Redistricting
- Local Public Health Department Governance



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Kansas November 2020 Elections



State Senate 29 GOP11 Dems

House of Representatives 86 GOP39 Dems



- Over $\frac{1}{3}$ of the previous Legislature will not be returning
- Expected to be a more Conservative \bullet legislature
- Governor Kelly appoints David Toland as • new Lt. Governor

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Coverage Area Delegation

WYANDOTTE, JOHNSON, ALLEN COUNTIES

12 members of the 40 member Senate 32 members of the 125 member House 44 members of the 165 total Legislature

Of the 44 members:

- 25 Democrat
- 19 Republican



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2021 Kansas Legislature

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Governor Laura Kelly, Democrat, elected 2018, up for reelection 2022



Legislative Leadership

- House Speaker Ron Ryckman (R-Olathe)
- House Minority Leader Tom Sawyer (D-Wichita)
- New Senate President Ty Masterson (R-Andover)
- New Senate Minority Leader Dinah Sykes (D-Lenexa)

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Coverage Area Health Committee Membership

<u>House Health and Human Services</u> Brett Parker (D-Overland Park), Ranking Minority Megan Lynn. (R-Olathe) Carl Turner (R-Overland Park) (new) Broderick Henderson (D-Kansas City) Susan Ruiz (D-Shawnee)

Senate Public Health and Welfare Richard Hilderbrand (R-Baxter Springs) (Chair) Beverly Gossage (R-Eudora) (new) Pat Pettey (D-Kansas City) Molly Baumgardner. (R-Louisburg) Mike Thompson (R-Shawnee) Cindy Holscher (D-Overland Park), former House member



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2021 Kansas Legislative Session

COVID-19 (GOVERNOR'S EXECUTIVE POWERS)

Democrat Governor, Republican Legislature

STATE BUDGET CRISIS

November 2020 projection: \$363m surplus FY21, \$152m deficit FY22

Legislature's only Constitutionally required responsibility



MEDICAID EXPANSION

Governor Kelly has promised another push for Medicaid

Republican supermajorities in both chambers are more Conservative

SOCIAL ISSUES

Constitutional Amendment on Abortion

Court reform

Tax cuts

Redistricting

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Health Forward 2021 Policy Priorities

BROADBAND ACCESS

- Broadband Acceleration Grant Program
- Rural Kansas
- Underserved communities

RACE EQUITY

Governor's Commission on Racial Equity
 and Justice

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

Health Profession Opportunity Grants



EARLY CHILDHOOD

- Child Day Care Assistance Tax Credit
- Child Care Development Block Grant (CCDBG)
- Child Care Development Fund (CCDF)

EDUCATION

- Fully fund K-12 education
- School choice

TRANSPORTATION

- Eisenhower Legacy Transportation Program
- 10 year promise

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Questions?

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