AFC State Legislative & Administrative Policy
Priorities Highlights
2016-2020

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2016

LEGISLATIVE

❖ State Budget
  o HIV & Housing Funding in the Annual State Budget

❖ PrEP
  o Mandated Insurance Coverage for HIV Prevention Medication (PrEP) HB4554

❖ Medicaid
  o Empowering Meaningful Patient Choice in Medicaid Managed Care HB6213
  o Medicaid Access Monitoring Act HB5559

❖ HIV Quality Measures
  o Reporting on HIV Quality Metrics in Medicaid Managed Care HB5524

ADMINISTRATIVE

❖ ACA & Medicaid
  o Coalition letter urging Gov. Rauner to protect ACA & Medicaid
  o Letter to IL DOI Director Dowling urging them to protect the ACA
2017 Illinois Marketplace PrEP plan assessment
o Office for Civil Rights complaint over Humana's discriminatory insurance plans in Illinois
o Comments on the 2017 proposed Illinois Individual Marketplace ACA-Compliant rates
o AIDS Foundation of Chicago lauds Get Covered Illinois for reducing the uninsured rate in Illinois

❖ Mental Health & Substance Use
o Comments on “Illinois's Behavioral Health Transformation” 1115 Demonstration Waiver

❖ HIV & Hepatitis C Medications
o Letter to IL HFS urging the removal of HCV medication restrictions
o AFC and Chicago-area clinicians letter to Medicaid urging unrestricted access to HIV medications

❖ Gun & Community Violence
o AFC Position Statement on Gun and Community Violence
o AFC statement on the Pulse Nightclub shooting
o AFC Statement on Mistrial in Shooting Death of Walter Scott

2017

LEGISLATIVE
❖ State Budget
  o HIV & Housing Funding in the Annual State Budget

❖ HIV Testing
  o Additional Test Provided to Prevent Babies in IL From Being Born With HIV HB2800

ADMINISTRATIVE
❖ Non-Discrimination Protections in ACA
Letter to the Illinois Department of Insurance on enforcing non-discriminatory practices in Marketplace plan design

Letter to Aetna Better Health on discriminatory prior authorization policy

Gun Violence

Ending Gun Violence Means Recognizing it as a Public Health Threat

2018

LEGISLATIVE

State Budget

HIV & Housing Funding in the Annual State Budget

Short-Term Limited Duration Health Plans

Define and regulate short-term, limited coverage insurance plans’ sale in Illinois HB 2624

ACA & Medicaid

AFC’s Statement on Governor Rauner’s Veto to Protect Health Equity Legislation HB4165

ADMINISTRATIVE

HIV & Hepatitis C Medications

Letter to Illinois health insurers calling for swift DAA coverage

Letter to IL D&T Committee urging inclusion of Biktarvy in Preferred Drug List

2018 Illinois Medicaid Coverage of HIV and Hepatitis C Medications

Medicaid Redetermination/Renewal Process

AFC issues FOIA request to support Medicaid recipients

2019
LEGISLATIVE

❖ State Budget
  o HIV & Housing Funding in the Annual State Budget

❖ PrEP
  o More preventative options for young people (Youth PrEP)
    HB2665

❖ ACA & Medicaid
  o HB 815 Rate Review Authority for IL Department of Insurance
  o Transparency in the decision-making process of the Medicaid Drugs and Therapeutics (D&T) Board HB2259

❖ HIV Medications
  o Illinoisans are Ensured More Accessible Life Saving Medications (Copay Accumulator Policy Ban) HB465
  o Testimony Before the Joint Hearing of the House Committees on Insurance and Prescription Drug Affordability & Access

❖ Medicaid Eligibility Determination and Redetermination/Renewal Processes
  o Illinoisans get covered and stay covered by Medicaid SB2021

❖ LGBTQ Older Adults
  o Illinois Expands Protections for LGBTQ Older Adults SB1319

❖ Restroom Access
  o Equitable Restrooms Access SB556

ADMINISTRATIVE

❖ HIV & Hepatitis C Medications
  o 2019 MCO Preferred Drug List Plan Assessment (July release)

❖ Gender-Affirming Healthcare in Medicaid
  o Public Comment on Proposed Regulations Addressing Illinois Medicaid Coverage for Surgical Treatment of Gender Dysphoria
- **HIV/AIDS**
  - Governor Pritzker Signs Executive Order Supporting HIV/AIDS

2020

**LEGISLATIVE**

- **State Budget**
  - HIV, STIs & Housing Funding in the Annual State Budget
- **HIV & Hepatitis C Medications**
  - Prescription Drug Affordability Board (PDAB) Bill HB 3493
- **Sexual Health Education**
  - Healthy Youth Act HB 5012
- **Healthcare Coverage**
  - Healthy Illinois for All HB4891
  - Healthcare Affordability & Accessibility HB5443
- **Housing & Homelessness**
  - Bring Chicago Home Campaign HB4826
- **HIV Decriminalization**
  - HIV Decriminalization in IL

**ADMINISTRATIVE**

- **HIV Quality Measures**
  - AFC Comments: HIV Quality Measures Data Sharing – IDPH Proposed Rule
- **HIV & Hepatitis C Medications**
  - January 2020 MMCO Formulary Analysis
- **Racism, Race Inequity, COVID-19 & Police Brutality**
  - AFC's Director of Policy Statement re: Summer 2020 Uprising in Reaction to Police Brutality Against Black People
  - COVID-19, Black America, and the Deadly Cycle of Racism