

2023-2024 PUBLIC POLICY & LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES

We humbly ask that the NC General Assembly
affirm that **every
North Carolinian
is able to share their
health care decisions.**

**Please
Support
SB147
& House
companion
bill.**

**Support North Carolinians with serious illness and their families
by modernizing the requirements for advance health care directives.**

Support legislation to update signature and notary requirements for health care powers of attorney and advance health care directives. Support electronic access to these documents.

Additional Coalition Priorities

STABILIZE the direct care workforce crisis

Support efforts to recruit and retain essential frontline workers. Make permanent the temporary rate increases for Medicaid and State/County Special Assistance (SA) put in place during COVID-19 to move the direct care workforce toward a living wage.

EXPAND Medicaid

Support legislation that will close the health insurance coverage gap in North Carolina and provide access to affordable coverage to 600,000 individuals living in the coverage gap. Prioritizing affordable healthcare is a critical step the state can take to achieve health equity for all North Carolinians.

AUTHORIZE full practice authority for advanced practice registered nurses

Support The SAVE Act. Bring North Carolina in line with long-established national standards by modernizing regulations to allow Advanced Practice Registered Nurses (APRNs) to work to the full extent of their training and education.

PROVIDE adequate recurring funding for home & community- based services

To address healthcare access for seniors and for adults and children living with disabilities or serious illness. Funding is needed to address waitlists and staffing issues across the HCBS care continuum.

Note: These priorities do not represent the entirety of the issues which the Coalition supports and on which it takes a position. The Coalition leverages the power of collective advocacy through its members and partner organizations.

To learn more about the NCSI Coalition's public policy & legislative priorities please contact the Executive Director Virginia Slocum at vslocum@hshig.org or (919) 710-5636.

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About the North Carolina Serious Illness Coalition

The North Carolina Serious Illness Coalition is a volunteer-led group of health professionals, providers, and caregivers focused on improving the lives of the seriously ill and their caregivers.

Created in 2020, the Coalition has quickly developed into a major force throughout North Carolina, representing 100 health organizations and more than 185 industry leaders throughout the state. The Coalition's dedicated members have brought information, passion, and determination to make a difference for people across NC using their unique perspectives, backgrounds, and skills through the Coalition's four working groups: Clinical Practice & Quality, Advance Care Planning, Caregiver & Patient Engagement, and Communications, Advocacy and Education.

Our Mission: To engage a broad range of stakeholders and their and their perspectives, including providers, consumers, policy advocates, industries, and others, to accelerate the solutions needed to achieve the desired vision for serious illness care.

Our Vision: A culture of care that prioritizes person-centered quality of life, access, and equity across the age spectrum for anyone with serious illness, their families, and their communities.

Our Roots: The North Carolina Serious Illness Coalition is the evolution of the work done in 2019-2020 by the NCIOM Task Force on Serious Illness Care. NCSI Coalition is a continuation of statewide partnerships to advance the recommendations made in the Task Force's final report. There are 13 Priority Recommendations, each with very clear tasks.

To learn more visit: <https://www.ncsicoalition.org/>

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2023 Calendar

Monthly meetings
(11am-1pm):

- March 17
- April 21
- May 19
- June 16
- July 21
- August 18
- September 15
- October 20
- November 17
- December 15

Friday Facts (8:30-9am):
2nd and 4th Fridays

Link to Monthly Meetings and Friday Facts: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85220751096>

Progress Report update: Spring

Virtual Symposium:
November

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