

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

General Health

We support:

413. comprehensive, universal, single-payer healthcare for all, including but not limited to:
 - a. reproductive health
 - b. acute/LTC/ALF, community-based services
 - c. wellness/prevention programs
 - d. addiction services
 - e. evidenced-based holistic/functional medicine/services
 - f. reimbursement rates for providers/caregivers equal to UCR
 - g. all brain disorders/injuries
 - h. affordable/no copay medications
 - i. evidence-based Compound/Natural medications
 - j. telemedicine
 - k. training/supplying first responders using Narcan/Naloxone
 - l. statewide EMS
 - m. transgender healthcare
 - n. medical/assistive-devices/vision/hearing/mental/dental
414. medical end-of-life options
415. rescheduling, expanding access to, medical cannabis
416. state EHR exchanges
417. healthcare staffing based on acuity/care-levels
418. increased funding NIH/NSF

We oppose:

419. privatizing Medicaid
420. providing substandard/denying medical services due to religious/personal bias
421. exemptions to ISAA
422. Medicaid block grants
423. restricting research on
 - a. stem-cells
 - b. gun violence
424. waiting lists for HCBS waivers
425. INCSL
426. discrimination against LGBTQIA+

Adult, Aged, Abused People, and People with Disabilities

We support:

- 427. accessibility/accommodations for all
- 428. increasing inspections of troubled SNF/ALF/MIMR
- 429. fully funding:
 - a. OAA/LTCOP
 - b. dementia research while expanding diagnosis/care
 - c. elder-abuse prevention
 - d. AAA
 - e. full-spectrum continuing care, financial aid/legal assistance for abused persons
 - f. VAWA
- 430. national database for convicted abusers
- 431. consumer representation on HHS review boards
- 432. training/support/tax credits for at-home caregivers
- 433. LTC coverage prior to hospitalization
- 434. 911/EMS responder abuse-recognition education/training

Children and Families

We support:

- 435. increasing inspections of childcare centers
- 436. fully funding:
 - a. child welfare systems
 - b. child/maternal/prenatal health programs
 - c. preventing child abuse/neglect/obesity
 - d. BASP
 - e. CSRA/DPPA
 - f. high-quality, subsidized childcare
 - g. FSP
 - h. youth/homeless shelters
 - i. children's mental health system
 - j. CHIP/HAWK-I
- 437. mandatory NCARs
- 438. SNAP/WIC expansion
- 439. background checks for childcare workers
- 440. gender-neutral parenting/custody/guardianship
- 441. kinship-care/foster-care parity
- 442. funding foster children through age 26
- 443. strengthening/expanding ASFA, DHS/Ombudsman in foster care

We oppose:

- 444. non-medical exemptions to immunizations
- 445. sex-assignment surgeries at birth

Human Services

We support:

- 446. transitional programs from shelters/prisons-into-care, treatment, permanent housing
- 447. Medicaid for all autistic individuals
- 448. contraceptives/abortion coverage
- 449. maintaining/strengthening HUD, SS, Medicare/Medicaid, Public Transportation, disaster relief, safety-net programs
- 450. child/dependent-adult protective services meeting all standards/minimal overtime
- 451. funding/organizing IEMS for standardized statewide coverage
- 452. GHS activities overseen by CDC
- 453. research/prevention/treatment addressing opioid epidemic including Naloxone funding
- 454. equitable health insurance premiums
- 455. evidence-based medical cannabis education for medical providers
- 456. effective FDA drug-approval
- 457. vitamins/supplements labeling for side-effects/drug interactions

We oppose:

- 458. limiting medical malpractice/negligence claims

Mental Health

We support:

- 459. mental health parity/availability/affordability
- 460. restoring/expanding MHIs
- 461. funding:
 - a. tobacco/substance-abuse treatment
 - b. suicide awareness/prevention programs
- 462. jail diversion programs/courts
- 463. effective treatment length
- 464. mental health training/awareness for 911/first responders
- 465. sufficient funding for CMHCs
- 466. funding for emergency committal beds/transportation

Reproductive Rights and Family Planning

We support:

- 467. rights/choice of women/individuals to comprehensive reproductive healthcare
- 468. Roe vs. Wade
- 469. fully funding:
 - a. comprehensive family planning programs/providers
 - b. PP
 - c. HIV/STD/STI/cancer testing/screening
- 470. free barrier-based contraceptives in public schools
- 471. regulating CPC
- 472. breastfeeding/lactation accommodations (not restrooms)
- 473. certified nurse midwives

We oppose:

- 474. restricting access to medically necessary abortions
- 475. zygotic/embryonic/fetal personhood
- 476. restricting accessing abortions using TRAP laws/harassment
- 477. forced sterilization, castration, genital mutilation including default circumcision
- 478. **[MINORITY REPORT TO REPLACE 477 WITH: “forced sterilization, castration, genital mutilation including infant circumcision”]**
- 479. Fetal Heartbeat bill
- 480. conversion therapy
- 481. parental consent/notification for contraceptives/abortion for minors

ACRONYMS USED IN THIS SECTION

AAA - Area Agency on Aging
ALF – Assisted-Living Facilities
ASFA - Adoption and Safe Families Act
BASP - Before and After School Programs
CDC - Centers for Disease Control
CHIP - Children’s Health Insurance Program
CMHCs – Community Mental Health Centers
CPC - Crisis Pregnancy Centers
CSRA - Child Support Recovery Act
DHS - Department of Human Services
DPPA - Deadbeat Parents Punishment Act
EHR – Electronic Health Record
EMS – Emergency Medical Services
FDA – Food and Drug Administration
FSP - Family Support Programs

GHS – Global Health Services
HAWK-I - Healthy and Well Kids in Iowa
HCBS - Home and Community Based Services
HHS – Health and Human Services
HIV – Human Immunodeficiency Virus
HUD – Housing and Urban Development
IEMS - Iowa Emergency Medical Services
INCSL - Iowa Non-Covered Services Law
ISAA - Iowa Smoke-Free Air Act
LGBTQIA+ - Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer/Questioning, Intersex, Asexual/Agender, and Community
LTC – Long-Term Care
LTCOP - Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program
MC/MD - Medicare/Medicaid
MHI – Mental Health Institutions
MIMR – Mental Illness Mental Retardation
NCAR – National Child Abuse Registries
NIH – National Institutes of Health
NSF – National Science Foundation
OAA – Older Americans Act
PP - Planned Parenthood
SNAP - Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program
SNF – Skilled Nursing Facilities
SS - Social Security
STD – Sexually Transmitted Disease
STI - Sexually Transmitted Infection
TRAP - Targeted Regulation of Abortion Providers
UCR – Usual and Customary Rates
VAWA – Violence Against Women’s Act
WIC – Women, Infants, and Children