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2022 Legislative Agenda

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Our agenda is at this point in the process is still being finalized and, as in every year when the Governor changes (especially from one party to another) and/or when the legislative majority changes in one chamber or both, we will be more reactive than proactive.

Our principles will be as follows:

- Adequately fund all services (BH, DD & SUD) to mitigate the impact of the increase in minimum wage and the extraordinary pressure of the workforce crisis which has affected recruitment and retention at all levels
- Limit the development of “reforms” to allow the system to stabilize and scale up the services in the existing array offered in the DD Waivers, BRAVO and ARTS.
- Resist administration efforts to impose additional oversight or regulatory controls which, while perhaps well intentioned, add cost and administrative burden which in this time cannot be absorbed into provider operations.

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