

American Cancer Society 2011 Maryland Legislative Priorities

PATIENT PROTECTION and AFFORDABLE CARE ACT IMPLEMENTATION:

 Monitor and potentially support legislation enabling the creation of State Health Insurance Exchanges

PREVENTION: Cancer Control:

- Urge Governor to increase state funding for the Breast and Cervical Cancer Programs.
- Urge Governor to restore funding to cancer control programs.
- Support legislation prohibiting youth under 18 from using tanning beds.

PREVENTION: Tobacco Control

- Urge Governor to restore funding to tobacco control programs.
- Propose legislation increasing the state tax on cigarettes by \$1.00 with a portion of the revenue going to tobacco control programs and Medicaid.
- Propose legislation bringing state taxes on Other Tobacco Products in line with state taxes on cigarettes.
- Support legislation including small cigars (brown cigarettes) in the definition of cigarettes

PREVENTION: Obesity - Nutrition - Physical Activity

Propose legislation increasing physical education in schools to 150 minutes per week

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