



## 83rd Texas Legislative Session - Priority Issues

### Tobacco Control

- **Smoke-Free Legislation:** Lead the effort to pass comprehensive smoke-free workplace legislation that protects all workers in Texas.
- **Tobacco Control Programs:** Increase funding to \$3 per capita to expand the state's comprehensive, statewide tobacco prevention and cessation program.

### Cancer Research and Prevention Funding

- **Cancer Prevention and Research Institute of Texas (CPRIT):** Work to secure \$600 million in funding for the Cancer Prevention and Research Institute of Texas.
- **Texas Breast and Cervical Cancer Program:** Advocate for \$5.2 million in funding for screening of at-risk women in Texas.
- **Texas Cancer Registry:** Fully fund the registry's two-year budget.

### Ensuring Access to Quality Care

- **Medicaid Coverage:** Defend funding and monitor efforts to reform the state Medicaid program, which provides access to cancer care for the state's low-income population.
- **Medicaid Expansion:** Work with the legislature and healthcare access coalitions to expand access to the Medicaid program.
- **Affordable Care Act:** Work with state agencies to support implementation of the federal exchange.

### Obesity, Physical Activity, and Nutrition Legislation

- **Physical Exercise and Education Requirements:** Work to increase weekly physical education requirements and strengthen curriculum for physical education.
- **Obesity Control Program Funding:** Support the funding request of the TX Department of Health and Human Services for community-based obesity prevention programs.

### Youth Tanning Restrictions

- Support legislation to prohibit use of indoor tanning beds for youth under 18 years of age.

### Improving Survivors Quality of Life

- Support legislation that educates patients and the medical community on the importance of pain management.

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