



GOVERNMENT RELATIONS

Public Health DRAFT Legislative Agenda for 2021

We will cover:

2021 state agenda (draft)2021 federal agenda (draft)



State & Federal Legislative Agenda

Path to Adoption

October **November December** 2021 • 3: Draft #2 State & • 20: Draft #1 State & • 17: Board formally January: 117th Federal Federal Legislative adopts 2021 State & Congress Federal Legislative Legislative Agenda Agenda to BCC Commences to BCC Agenda January 19: Oregon • 21-29: Input, • 7: Begin Legislative Legislative Session questions & edits begins Days from Board • 9: State Revenue February: Engage • 30: Draft #2 State & **Forecast** Congressional Federal delegation on FY Legislative Agenda 2022 Priorities • 15: BCC Legislative to Board via Work **Update** Session packet

PART 1: Proposed State Legislative Agenda, 2021

Support flexible policies and funding mechanisms to improve health and human services outcomes for our communities.

- Seek sufficient funding for existing County programs.
- Ensure that new legislative policies allow us to retain local control.
 - □ Tobacco Retail Licensure
- Enhance public health funding and services.
 - Public Health Modernization
 - □ COVID-19 Response
 - Housing Stability





Questions on the proposed state legislative priorities?

PART 2: Proposed Federal Legislative Agenda, 2021

COVID-19 Recovery and Relief: Identify and secure funding and constituent relief for all COVID-19 related programs and services.

- As we move into 2021 & our community continues to battle the new coronavirus our team will continue to lobby for the resources needed to respond and recover.
- Continue to advocate to our federal delegation in concert with our federal lobbyists, NACo and regional partners.

PART 2: Proposed Federal Legislative Agenda, 2021

Health and Human Services: Provide affordable health care coverage providing equal access to age-appropriate and evidence-based health care services including adequate funding for behavioral health services.

- Ensure continued access to care for those with preexisting health conditions, including those who have had COVID-19.
- Fully fund Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) program.
- Seek adequate Medicaid dollars for Washington County behavioral health services.





Questions on the proposed Federal Legislative Agenda?