



Advancing Equity in 2022: Administrative Priorities and What's Next on the Legislative Landscape

April 12, 2022

Today's Agenda

- ❑ Overview of FUSA Health Equity Task Force's 2022 Legislative & Administrative Priorities
- ❑ State of Play: Funding & Appropriations
- ❑ Calls to Action

Legislative Priorities

- Make historic investments to end the maternal health crisis: Congress should pass key provisions of the **Black Maternal Health Momnibus Act**, including those portions of the bill that passed the House as part of the Build Back Better Act in December 2021.
- Fund **community health worker (CHW)** workforce legislation.
- Expand the **Center for Medicare & Medicaid Innovation (CMMI)** to include an equity focus.
- Fund Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)'s **Racial and Ethnic Approaches to Community Health (REACH)** program.

Administrative Priorities

Incorporating Equity into Payment Models & Measures

- Incorporate equity into **quality measures**.
- Implement **pediatric models** in CMMI.
- Implement **culturally and linguistically appropriate services (CLAS) standards** in CMMI.
- Develop a **core health equity measure set**.
- Develop protocols for using **disaggregated data**.
- Publish **ARPA reports** to ensure transparency in equitable funding.

Administrative Priorities

Federal Relations Update

House and Senate on recess for two weeks

State of the COVID supplemental funding

March Omnibus FY22 Appropriations bill – Govt. funding through September 30, 2022

Secretary Becerra visited the Hill last week

Informal conversations around BBB

Calls to Action

- April 11th – 17th is **Black Maternal Health Week!**
- [Letter to Biden Administration Regarding Medicaid Redeterminations Sign-On Opportunity](#)
Deadline: 5pm ET on Friday 4/15
- RFI on Access to Care and Coverage for People Enrolled in Medicaid and CHIP
Deadline: 5pm ET on Monday 4/18

Upcoming Health Justice Now! Webinars

- [Community Voice And Equitable Policymaking: Lessons Learned From COVID-19 Vaccine Distribution](#)
Tuesday, April 26th from 1-2pm ET
- [Reproductive Rights Webinar – Abortion Laws: A Public Health Crisis \(Part I\)](#)
Thursday, May 5th from 1-2:30pm ET
- [Elevating Community Voices Webinar – Community Voices: How State Policymakers Can Advance Health Equity](#)
Thursday, May 12th from 1-2pm ET

Thank You!