Access to Appropriate Health Care and Social Services

The New Hampshire Public Health Association (NHPHA) supports universal access to high quality evidence based, integrated health care at a level of cost that does not create barriers to care. Priorities include:

- Coordinate private, state and federal efforts into a seamless system of health care and social services as one ages.
- Assure access to medical insurance through either private or public programs. If there is to be phasing of universal insurance coverage, priority should be given to coverage of all children.
- Fund public health promotion and disease prevention activities that are demonstrated to reduce medical care costs.
- Assure first dollar coverage for evidence based preventive services.
- Assure a medical home for individuals/families to coordinate care.
- Assure that co-pays and deductibles are not economic barriers to care.
- Monitor and reduce disparities in health outcomes among geographic areas as well as populations.
- Provide culturally sensitive medical care with appropriate outreach and interpretive services for minority populations.

Resources


