**2021 CoC State Advocacy Top Issue Priorities**

**Tier 1**

**Tanning Beds**

Enact legislation to restrict minors under 18 years old from using tanning beds. Legislation should not include parental or other exemptions.

**States Already Passed**: California, Delaware, District of Columbia, Hawaii, Illinois, Kansas, Louisiana, Maine, Massachusetts, Maryland, Minnesota, North Carolina, Nevada, New Hampshire, New York, Oregon, Rhode Island, Texas, Vermont and Washington

**Sunscreen in Schools**

Enact legislation that clarifies state law to allow children to possess and use sunscreen lotion at school and school sponsored events.

**States Already Passed**: Alabama, Arizona, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Florida, Illinois, Indiana, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Minnesota, New York, Nevada, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, Texas, Utah, and Washington

**Prostate Cancer Screening Coverage**

Enact legislation that requires health insurers operating within the state shall provide prostate cancer screening to beneficiaries with no cost sharing.

**States Already Passed**: Maryland and New York

**Bariatric Surgery and Obesity Treatment Coverage**

Enact legislation to provide insurance coverage for bariatric surgery procedures and associated health services as an essential health benefit for individual and group plans and state employee plans.

**States Already Passed (Individual, Family and Small Group Plans):** Arizona, **California**, Delaware, Hawaii, Illinois, Iowa, Maine, Maryland, **Massachusetts**, **Michigan**, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Jersey, **New Mexico**, New York, North Carolina, North Dakota, Rhode Island, South Dakota, Vermont, West Virginia, and Wyoming (**States in Bold cover both surgery and weight loss programs**)

**Tier 2**

**Breast, Colorectal, and Cervical Cancer Screening Coverage**

Continue to support state legislation to expand access to cancer screenings updating existing standards and recommendations such as age and patient history, expanding available screening technologies such as 3D mammography, and removing copay and other cost barriers for patients.

**Tobacco 21**

Continue to support state legislation that raises the minimum age to purchase tobacco and vapor cigarettes to 21 years of age.

**States Already Passed**: Arkansas, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Hawaii, Kentucky, Indiana, Illinois, Iowa, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Nebraska, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, Texas, Utah, Vermont, Virginia, Washington, and Wyoming.