NAMI WASHINGTON'S 2022 LEGISLATIVE AGENDA

INCLUDE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH IN BALANCE BILLING PROTECTION

Including urgent behavioral health care in balance billing protections is critical to ensuring that individuals are not met with a surprise bill during times of crisis.

CREATE A NEW PRESCRIBING PSYCHOLOGIST CREDENTIAL

Creating a new prescribing psychologist credential would increase the number of prescribers and allow for more consolidated care.

CONTINUE TO STRENGTHEN BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CRISIS RESPONSE

It is critical to ensure that our crisis response system continues to move forward and that law enforcement appropriately respond to mental health crisis calls.

NAMI WASHINGTON'S SUPPORT AGENDA

- Expand access to Assisted Outpatient Treatment.
- Increase Medicaid rates for behavioral health providers
- Establish a strategic plan on delivering A comprehensive plan for prenatal to 25 behavioral health care
- Increase Access to Antiviral Medication for HIV as it disproportionately impacts people with Mental Health conditions

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