

LHHS Priorities

- \$4 million in state funds and \$12 million in matching Medicaid funds to enroll all health care providers in SYNCRONYS. This will require approximately \$5 million in recurring funding.
- \$2 million to New Mexico Health Resources Inc. to expand the recruitment and retention efforts for all types of health care providers.
- \$43 million for county and tribal health councils.
- \$1 million to continue LHHS's work in studying health care cost drivers.
- Increase funding for the health professional loan repayment program.
- Collaboration with LFC on determining benchmarks for grading agency performance.
- Filling the Gaps created by the cuts to Medicaid.
- Fully funding services for the aging and long-term care communities and the DD Waiver.
 - Making sure rates for those services are fair.
- Year-round LHHS.
- More health and human services expertise in the LFC membership.
- Further evaluation and reporting on how recent investments in Higher Education are being spent, particularly for Social Work.
- Making sure money appropriated for medication-assisted treatment (MAT) programs is being spent.
- Making sure there is enough funding for School-based health centers and Youth Resource centers.
- Expand the PIVOT evaluations and collaborate with LHHS on determining what health and human services programs should be evaluated.
- Supporting coordination of efforts to address the issues that contribute to alcohol-related deaths, including underage drinking, limited access to behavioral health treatment, domestic violence and gun violence.
- The committee supports all efforts to get more and better data, including gaining access to the All-Payer Claims Database.
- The committee is concerned by the influence that private equity is having on the social determinants of health.
- The committee is committed to ending New Mexico's doctor shortage, but we recognize that it will not be solved solely by reforming medical malpractice or by enacting compacts.