

Health Care and the League of Women Voters

Important News: Our Position on Health Care was updated by concurrence at Convention, 2022

Please Note: Updates made by concurrence do not change the original language but do add new elements or definitions. Read the full position statement, including what's new from Concurrence, in [*Impact on Issues, 2002-24*](#), pages 137 to 143.

CLARIFICATIONS

- Single payer has explicit support
- State and regional programs are acceptable but only if they comply with League principles and the League's goal of "coverage for all residents with affordable access to essential services"
- Evidence is required to show that measures to reduce cost will not increase disparities

"The League supports the single-payer concept as a viable and desirable approach to implement League positions on equitable access, affordability and financial feasibility." Impact on Issues 2022-24 p.137

"The League supports public input as integral to the process for determining healthcare coverage and funding...residents must be provided with information on the health care system and the implications of health policy decisions." Impact on Issues 2022-24 p. 139

ADDITIONS

- Expanded delivery options (tele-health and home health) meeting "standard of care" guidelines
- Adequate staffing in order to ensure safety
- Decisions "on medical procedures that would prolong life should be made jointly by patients, family and licensed providers"

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