

Good day League Presidents,

My name is Sue Racanelli and I am President of the League of Women Voters of Vermont (LWVVT). Health Care is an issue that our League is passionate about and we are deeply concerned about its ongoing privatization.

The LWVVT Health Care Committee, after significant study, developed a new Privatization position. We are proposing this as an update to the current LWVUS Position on Privatization (p. 67 in [Impact on Issues](#)). You can read our proposed concurrence [here](#).

LWVUS advised us that the national position on privatization is not sufficient to support the kind of advocacy we believe is needed to protect our health care resources. Hence, LWVVT is committed to bringing this discussion to the National Convention in June. And, as the saying goes, *there is power in numbers!* So, we are reaching out to your League for support in getting this discussion on the table.

There are two ways you can help:

1. Tell us that your League will publicly support adding the Vermont Concurrence to the 2024 LWVUS Convention Agenda by sending us an [email](#). Doing this allows us to include your League on the Vermont Concurrence webpage List of Leagues in favor of discussing our position. It does NOT commit your delegates to vote in favor of the concurrence.
2. Show your support by including the LWVVT concurrence in your online LWVUS Program Planning Survey which is **due March 10**. In these [pdf](#) and [Word](#) documents, you will find instructions and specific language that can be used as you complete your program planning survey.

Updating the LWVUS position will enable league members across the country to advocate for protecting our health care infrastructure from profiteering and de-privatizing services that are public goods.

This [one-page summary](#) tells you more about why LWVVT created this position. You can find additional information at the [Vermont Concurrence webpage](#) on the [LWV Health Care Reform toolkit website](#).

If you have any questions, or require additional information, please email Betty Keller, our Privatization Study Chair, [lww.vt.update@gmail.com](mailto:lww.vt.update@gmail.com).

I very much appreciate you taking the time to read my email and am hopeful of your support. Thank you!