



PSYPACT

HF193 Morrison

SF 269 Benson

- Interjurisdiction compact that allows psychologists to practice telehealth and limited in-person visits for other PSYPACT states (16)
- Improves continuity of care
- Increases access to care

Telehealth Extensions

SF1160 Rosen

HF 1412 Morrison

- Continues some of the changes to telehealth that happened as a consequence of COVID
 - Definition of originating and distant site
 - Unlimited sessions per week
 - Use of scheduled audio-only services
 - Same reimbursement as in person sessions
 - Same provider network
- Improves access to care
- Provides for more treatment continuity
- Provides services to disenfranchised populations

Behavioral Analyst Licensure

HF 332 Edelson

SF 425 Abeler

- Provides for licensing of Behavior Analysts and Assistant Behavior Analysts through the Board of Psychology
 - Allows psychologists to represent themselves as providing behavior analysis services
 - Psychologists can provide supervision
- Provides for oversight of the field
- Provides public protection

Medical Assistance Rate Adjustment

- Left out of 2007 and subsequent bills to include outpatient psychologists and others in a rate increase
- Asking for a 50% increase so that we catch up to other providers
- All Medical Assistance providers are crucial to access
- Access to care issue

Provider Tax

- Maintain the tax to support MNCare and Medical Assistance but have insurers pay directly to the state
- Saves hassle and money for providers
- More cost effective for Minnesota

Mental Health Workforce

HF 970 Vang

- Increases opportunities for BIPOC providers through a variety of mechanisms
 - Expand loan forgiveness
 - Provides funds to pay for supervision hours for licensure
 - Pays for training in supervision
 - Examines alternative pathways to licensure
 - Requires CE related to cultural competence and humility
- Increase access to care with diverse providers
- Improves cultural competence of all mental health providers

Mental Health Protections Act

- Prevents provision of so-called conversion therapy to minors and vulnerable adults
- Excludes payment for such services by Medical Assistance
- Labels provision of conversion therapy as fraudulent

BILLS WE OPPOSE

School Social Workers billing Medical Assistance for services

HF 945 Youakim

SF 728 Frentz

- MSWs who are licensed as LICSWs
- Would allow them to use an IEP instead of a diagnostic assessment and these are not equivalent documents

Recreational Cannabis bill

HF 600 Winkler

SF 757 Franzen

- Working with authors to make changes due to its inevitability of passage
- Appreciate the decriminalization
- Concerned about adequate funding for prevention and education
- Concerned about how edibles are handled to protect children
- Concerned about advertising
- Requesting mental health professional and substance use disorder professional to be on oversight committees