

# COMMUNITY HEALTHCARE ASSOCIATION OF THE DAKOTAS

## 2025 Legislative Priorities

Community HealthCare Association of the Dakotas (CHAD) is a non-profit membership organization that serves as the primary care association for North Dakota and South Dakota, supporting community health centers in their mission to provide access to quality health care for all individuals. Health centers provided primary medical, behavioral health, and/or dental care to more than 36,000 North Dakotans in 2023.

CHAD and its member health centers believe there are tremendous opportunities to collaborate with stakeholders and elected officials to improve the health and well-being of North Dakotans.



### Prescription Access

**CHAD supports HB 1473 to protect the 340B Drug Pricing Program from manufacturer restrictions on contract pharmacies in North Dakota.** North Dakota health centers rely on contract pharmacies to distribute medication that is affordable and accessible to their patients, and health centers are required by law to invest all 340B savings into activities that expand access for their patients.



### Medicaid Expansion Adult Dental Benefit

**CHAD supports SB 2231 to extend adult dental benefits to ALL North Dakota Medicaid recipients, including individuals covered by Medicaid Expansion.**



### Loan Repayment Programs

**CHAD supports funding for the Dental Loan Repayment Program and North Dakota Health Care Professional Loan Repayment Program at a minimum of the current funding level and terms.**

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## Breast Cancer Screening Coverage

**CHAD supports HB 1283 that increases access to medically necessary preventative breast cancer screenings by eliminating burdensome patient cost sharing**



## Prior Authorization Improvements

**CHAD supports SB 2280 to improve the prior authorization processes to reduce barriers and improve access to care.**



## Access to Healthy Food

**CHAD supports efforts to increase access to food and nutrition across the state, including a permanent policy for healthy school meals for all kids.**



## Dental Study

**CHAD supports HB 1567 to provide for a Legislative Management Study of dental access for low-income children, Native Americans, and individuals with disabilities.**

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