

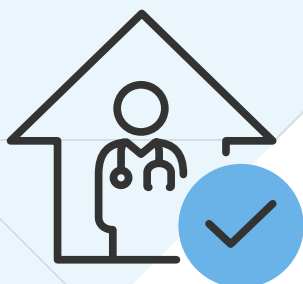
Promote Health and Increase Access to Care



Strengthen the Nursing Workforce

Support Infrastructure Proposals that include:

- Funding educational loan pay-downs and vouchers
- Funding research and demonstration programs related to clinician well-being
- Establishing grants for cultural competency training for health care professionals
- Providing grants to expand, modernize and support schools of nursing in rural, underserved areas or minority-serving organizations



Invest in Nursing Education Infrastructure

Support the Future Advancement of Academic Nursing (FAAN) Act, (S.246/H.R.851)

- Invest in schools of nursing to ensure nursing education pathways remain strong during public health challenges, such as the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic
- Support schools of nursing, students, faculty and academic nursing infrastructure by providing needed resources to enroll and retain nursing students; modernize nursing curriculum and establishing nurse-led interdisciplinary and interprofessional educational partnerships; hire and retain a diverse faculty to educate the future nursing workforce; and modernize technological and educational infrastructure



Support Clinician Resiliency and Mental Health

Dr. Lorna Breen Health Care Provider Protection Act, (S. 610/H.R. 1667)

- Authorize grants to health care providers to establish programs that offer mental and behavioral health services for front-line workers
- Require the Department of Health and Human Services to study and develop recommendations on strategies to address provider burnout and facilitate resiliency
- Direct the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to launch a campaign encouraging health care workers to seek assistance when needed



Expand Telehealth to Increase Access

Support CONNECT for Health Act of 2021, (S.1512/H.R. 2903)

Expand on the proven success of telehealth to increase access to care by making permanent certain telehealth flexibilities allowed during the public health emergency including:

- Expanding practitioners who can provide telehealth
- Lifting geographic and originating site restrictions that currently limit where patients can access telehealth
- Allowing billing for audio-only telephone and video services